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ARCHBISHOP OF BALTIMORE

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ABOVE the confused din of agitation for the continued murder of Christians in Spain—agitation by the very persons who but a short time ago, were protesting minority persecution in other lands—has risen the clear, determined voice of Baltimore's Archbishop, the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, in a definite stand against the pussyfooting political tolerance of wholesale murderers.

In a proclamation as ill-advised as Earl Browder's "brotherhood" message to 21 million Catholics last May—Ferdinand de los Rios, Spain's Communistic ambassador to Washington, launched his new publicity move to secure American munitions for the Spanish Red army by inviting Archbishop Curley and several other prominent Catholic clergymen to be his guests in Loyalist Spain.

Referring to the Ambassador as "a common, ordinary liar," and his invitation as "quintessential and sublimated gall," the Archbishop assumed leadership in the Christian Front's renewed opposition to the Communist persecutions in Spain. Said Archbishop Curley:

"De los Rios can put nothing over on the Catholics in this country. We know what has happened to Catholics in so-called loyalist Spain.

"We know there has not been left standing a church of any kind in so-called loyalist territory. Photographs showing priests conducting funerals in Barcelona are the bunk.

"Let de los Rios tell of the murder of ten bishops, two burned to death; of the murder of 20,000 priests like dogs; of the rape and murder of 30,000 sisters; of digging up remains and scattering them through the streets of Barcelona, Valencia, and Madrid.

"Ambassador de los Rios is the greatest propagandist in the City of Washington. I have nothing for him but contempt."

True Americans cannot but applaud Archbishop Curley and support a Christian Front to maintain the Spanish embargo and so prevent the murder of additional thousands of innocent victims at the hand of atheistic Communists.

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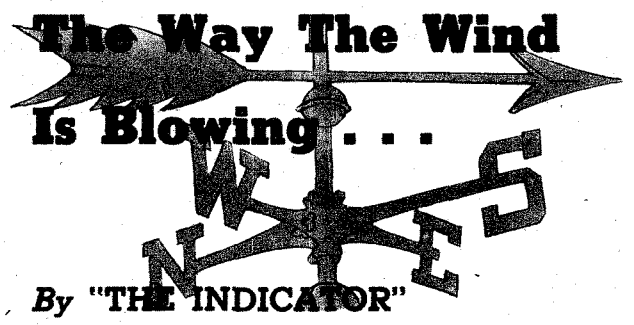
The Way The Wind Is Blowing . . .



By **"THE INDICATOR"**

DEMANDS for a state investigation of possible Communistic activities among college students in Colorado followed a widow's disclosure that her son helped to organize a "student commune" before leaving one year ago to enlist in the Spanish "Loyalist" army.

The Associated Press reports that Allen Merrick, 19, a junior at Colorado University, and Clement Markert, a fellow honor student, enlisted to fight for "Loyalist" Spain. Markert returned recently and said he believed that Merrick had been killed by Insurgent forces.

Speaking before the Pueblo, Colorado, American Legion and Elks club, Mrs. Sarah M. Merrick, the mother, said:

"Clement said that he died a hero in battle. Maybe he died a hero in Communist eyes, BUT HE DID NOT DIE A HERO IN MY EYES! The Communists have taken a hero right out of my heart."

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Attention, New York!

We do not include Connecticut, because the people of Connecticut already know. Station WICC, Bridgeport, Conn., (1250 kilocycles) each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock broadcasts an electrical transcription of Father Coughlin's afternoon talk. It is on for one hour. This transcription comes into parts of New York City much clearer and stronger than does Station WHBI of Newark, N. J. on Sunday afternoon. WHBI, our readers recall, is the station which defied efforts of New York Jews to shut the voice of Father Coughlin from the metropolitan area.

Am I an Anti-Semite?

FATHER Coughlin's answer to this question has been prepared in a 200-page book.

It includes the first nine lectures that Father Coughlin has delivered over the radio this year, together with a 47-page document on "Atheistic Communism" by Pope Pius XI. Photostatic reproductions of the disputed original British White Paper may also be obtained by those who request them.

WRITE TODAY. Next week may be too late.

If you cannot afford to make any contribution toward the expense of publishing this compilation of radio addresses, the 200-page book is yours for the asking.

In any case, WRITE TODAY for your copy.

Address Father Coughlin, Royal Oak, Michigan.

Next Week in Social Justice . . .

"The Mystical Body of Satan," the first in a remarkable new series of articles by Dr. W. J. Randall, C.M.S., will appear in this National Weekly on February 6th.

This is by far the most significant contribution of the many which Father Randall has made to the columns of SOCIAL JUSTICE.

CALL YOUR PASTOR'S ATTENTION TO THESE ARTICLES. Suggest that he deliver a sermon on the subject matter of Dr. Randall's series. Watch for "The Mystical Body of Satan"—next week in SOCIAL JUSTICE.

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Pal Takes Over Circulation Job

HELLO folks!

At last Dorothy has studied my language! Most folks think that I speak with my mouth. I am letting you in on a secret: I talk with my tail. Wig-wag fashion, so to speak. And Dorothy has caught on.

So, as I wig-wag, she writes down what I say—good things and bad things—and silly things.

I had a quarrel with the Boss the other night. I was asleep in my bed and he kept walking up and down the room. Finally, it got on my nerves and I told him so.

But then I was sorry because I knew he was worried. So I up and asked him what was wrong. He told me that he had been reading some disturbing letters all day—letters from his friends who were quarreling among themselves. He said they were all nice persons but weren't doing him any good. They were the cause of his headaches.

I said, "O, pardon me, Boss, I thought you were worrying about the Communists."

And he said, "Be yourself, Pal. These 'comics' don't bother me. My easy-going friends are the ones who get under my skin. If they would only be good friends and work together instead of working apart, I wouldn't be so nervous and accidentally step on your tail."

So I wig-wagged my forgiveness and we both went to bed.

* * *

Yesterday I did a little snooping around the Circulation Manager's books. Gee! What a mess!

I am going to proposition the Boss today and ask him for a new job. I don't like this editorial office. I prefer doing a little loud howling on the circulation desk. If Dorothy is a good sport, she'll tell the people down in New England where my English Terrier friends live; down in Pennsylvania where my Dachshund cousin has a good home; and down in New York from where I get swell letters written by a Scotch Collie—she'll tell them to get busy and do me a favor. If each one could only get my howling and my tail-wagging straight, they'll know that I'm going to worry if I don't get a few subscriptions—in fact, a few hundred thousand.

* * *

But all work and no play makes me a dizzy Dane.

With all the fine snow—heaps and heaps of it—I'm having loads of fun. I just love to run around the Shrine and play with the boys and girls when they come out of school.

O, yes, the new Shrine school is going full blast. Sister Rosarita, the principal of the school, invited me to give a lecture to Sister Francetta's baby class. I came home and told the Boss and the girls in the office. My ears were up. I had a spark in my eyes—and they were all jealous.

So I must prepare the lecture.

You bet I'll put it over big, because I am going to invite the forty-six kiddies to my kennel as soon as the snow goes and give them a party of ice cream and cake, if it is okay with Sister Rosarita.

Mary, the Boss's housekeeper, told me to keep this a secret so as the big boys and girls in the office won't crash the gate.

* * *

But if each one who reads my translated wig-wagging doesn't help me out on my new circulation job with a few bags full of subscriptions, I suppose that the best I can do is let the youngsters play with my old bone.

I am asking Dorothy to write this well. If she doesn't, I'll be seeing her when she comes home some dark night.

Goodbye 'til next week, and best of luck to all of you.

—PAL

"Lift the Embargo" Movement Work of Communists

Groups Composing the Joint Committee Marched in the Last May Day Parade in New York City

The accompanying article, prepared for SOCIAL JUSTICE by Mr. John V. Hinkel of the news staff of the New York Times, is printed with permission of "America," for which Mr. Hinkel has recently written a series of articles on the same subject.

IT IS unnecessary to look farther than the last May Day parade in New York City to pin the Communist label on organizations composing the Joint Committee to Lift the Embargo on arms to Spain. This Committee, of course, is principally responsible for the "Lift-the-Arms-Embargo-on-Loyalist-Spain" pressure on President Roosevelt and the 76th Congress over recent weeks.

The official list of participants in the May Day parade was published in the Communist *Daily Worker* of April 27, 1938. The Communist-controlled "Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy" was not the only Joint Committee member which showed its true Marxist colors by having a delegation in line on April 30th—the actual date of the "May Day" parade. Listed also by the *Daily Worker* as among the participating delegations were the Communistic "American League for Peace and Democracy," the Communistic "Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade" and the Communistic "Confederated Spanish Societies."

The Communist-controlled "Lawyers Committee on American Relations With Spain" and the Communist-controlled "American Friends of Spanish Democracy," while not official participants in the May Day parade, had members in line.

THE American League for Peace and Democracy has been described by J. B. Matthews, its first national chairman, as "the most ambitious of all the Communist 'united fronts' launched in this country."

Henri Barbusse, a French Communist, founded the League, which grew out of the "United States Congress Against War," at New York City in September, 1933. Thirty-five of 51 sponsoring groups at this Congress were Communistic or Communist-controlled!

Dr. Harry F. Ward, a leading Leftist (See SOCIAL JUSTICE, Jan. 23) is chairman of the League. He is also head of the Communistic American Civil Liberties Union and the Marxist Methodist Federation for Social Service, which has no official connection with the Methodist Church. The latter, in fact, has disowned it.

Professor Robert Morse Lovett, of the University of Chicago, and Mrs. Victor L. Berger of Milwaukee, widow of the late Socialist Congressman, are its vice-chairmen. Earl Browder was formerly a vice-chairman. Other Marxists holding executive positions with the American League are James Waterman Wise, Steve Nelson and James Lerner.

Joseph Pass, a Communist, is editor of its publication, *Fight*. Other known Communists holding important positions with the League are Clarence Hathaway, William Patterson, Charles Krumbein, Angelo Herndon, James W. Ford, Joseph Lash, Max Bedache, Audley Moore, A. A. Heller, Elizabeth Curley Flynn, Anna Damon, Mrs. Jeannette Turner, Margaret Cowl, Ben Gold and Robert Dunn.

"From its very inception down to the present moment," again according to Mr. Matthews, "the American League for Peace and Democracy has been, in effect, a part of an international Communist conspiracy *to involve the United States in a contemplated war on the side of the Soviet Union,* or, failing in that objective, to cripple the United States through mutiny in the Army and the stoppage of basic industries and to inaugurate class war and revolution in this country."

The principal purpose of the Lawyers Committee on American Relations With Spain is to concentrate legal pressure on President Roosevelt and Congress to lift the embargo on Spain on alleged technical grounds. To thousands of members of the American bench and bar this committee sent out questionnaires, last year, asking:

"1. Do you favor revision of our neutrality legislation (containing adequate safeguards to our peace) lifting the embargo against Spain?

"2. Would you vote for such legislation lifting the embargo against Spain?"

The committee claimed to have received several thousand answers, all asking that the embargo be resolved. But it has not disclosed how many judges and lawyers voted "No" on both questions.

How many of those who answered this innocent-appearing questionnaire know of the Marxist genesis and background of this committee and of the support it received from Marxist sources?

The Lawyers Committee is a stepchild of the Communist-controlled "Medical Bureau and North American Committee". As a matter of fact, it is its old lawyers committee, slightly refurbished and with many new recruits.

Paul J. Kern, chairman of the old lawyers committee, became chairman of the new Lawyers Committee on American Relations With Spain when its name was changed last Spring. Mr. Kern has been extremely active in left wing circles ever since his student days at the University of Michigan. During the last year alone he participated in numerous Communist-sponsored meetings in behalf of the Spanish Loyalists.

The Lawyers Committee has its printing done at the Sheridan Square Press, operated by Communists. The most significant tip-off of its Communistic affiliations, however, are its headquarters. These occupy one tiny room of a five-room suite, a veritable Marxist nest, at No. 20 Veset Street, New York City.

The other rooms—and this is extremely important—are occupied by Marxist organizations!

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"I am one of those who very definitely believes that the Spanish embargo should be repealed with the provision afforded which would prevent the delivery of supplies to either side in Spain by American ships. If, on the other hand, we are to continue the embargo, then it should be made equally effective against Italy, Germany, Russia, or any other country that is sending supplies into Spain which aided in prolonging hostilities there."—United States Senator Gerald P. Nye.

THERE IS NO WANT IN NATIONAL SPAIN

By MERVIN K. HART

President New York Economic Council

THE entire Spanish situation has been grossly misrepresented to the American people. Recently, when persecutions took place in Germany, and resulted in the death of a relatively small number of persons, American headlines, news columns and editorials raised bitter and lengthy protests. But two years ago last summer, when, under Communistic rule in Spain, scores of thousands of persons were being murdered and thousands of women ravaged, little, if any attention was paid to it by most of the American press. I recall no protest then by the State Department or by any branch of the American Government. I recall that, aside from the bitter protests of Catholics, there was general complacency as to what was going on.

And yet, documentary evidence shows that these cold-blooded murders *had been deliberately planned!*

This misrepresentation of the atrocities of Spanish Reds during the first two and a half years of the war—coupled with a smoke screen of false propaganda, in the shape of allegations by Red sympathizers of similar "atrocities" on the part of the Spanish Nationalists—has led to a *complete misunderstanding of the entire Spanish situation by the American public.*

From considerable first-hand knowledge I obtained in Spain, from careful study of the records, and from assertions made on both sides, the civil war would have ended long ago had it not been for the intervention of the organized International Brigades. These troops were none other than those raised by the feverish activities of the various Sections of the Communist Internationale—that is to say, the Communist parties of the several countries.

I visited a concentration camp at Burgos and found over 600 prisoners representing 35 different nations! The number of Americans led all others in this Spanish prison. It is clear that several thousand Americans were recruited (contrary to the Federal Penal Statute which provides a penalty of $1,000 and three years in prison for violation) on the soil of the United States for service with the Spanish Reds.

The passports of all those returning Americans are being confiscated on the ground that the owners violated American law by enlisting. It is clear, therefore, that passports (presumably marked "Valid for Spain") were—somehow—obtained from the State Department!

This wholesale recruiting on American soil of some thousands of Americans who fought in Spain, has itself constituted, in effect AN AMERICAN INTERVENTION ON THE SIDE OF COMMUNIST SPAIN!

His Chauffeur Voted 7 Times; Cook Only Five!

By F. B. BOSTWICK

Resident of Gibraltar, Spain, in letter to New York Herald Tribune, (Jan. 1, 1939).

I AM a native-born American from Coshocton, Ohio, and have lived in Spain for 35 years . . .

A young man employed by me as a chaffueur voluntarily told me the day after the elections (February, 1936) that he had voted seven times in different booths and was very pleased with himself for having done so. I asked him if his friends had done likewise and he replied that many had voted several times. I then decided to ask my cook how many times he had voted and he told me five times.

The C.N.T. (National Confederation of Labor) had publicly announced that its members would not vote, and it was only at 3:30 p.m. that orders were given to members to vote, because a sum of 6-million pesetas which had been promised to the organization had not been forthcoming! . . .

When the Nationalist rising started, the government of Spain was illegal for the reason that Portela Vallardares, who was in power leading a government of the Center, handed it over personally to Azana without his government being dissolved, which is contrary to the constitution, under which a new government cannot come into power until the previous one has been dissolved. For this very reason, Azana's government impeached Alcala Zamora, the president. . . .

A person in Nationalist Spain, away from the fronts where the actual fighting is taking place, would not know that there was a war going on, except for having to show a pass occasionally and seeing soldiers about. Profiteering is severely dealt with and as a result food is plentiful at practically the same prices as prevailed before the war.

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A Walk on Wall Street

By LAWRENCE LUCEY

Much Maligned Stock Brokers Simply Rent Office Space and Dance to Tune of Bankers' Piping on Financial Lane.

BEFORE your reporter saw the mechanics of Wall Street from a ringside seat while in the employ of a stock broker, he firmly believed the financial district was a place of stock brokers and run by and for stock brokers. Your reporter's illusion was smashed in jig time. He learned that Wall Street is a place of banks and run by and for banks. Brokers must dance to the bankers' tune—or else!

A walk down Wall Street, the highest valued piece of terra firma in the world, should convince the most skeptical reader that this financial street of streets really should be called Bankers' Lane. As you walk down Wall Street, jotting down the names on the buildings, you notice on one corner of Broadway the beautiful First National Bank building. Next to it is the stately Banker's Trust Co. Crossing Nassau Street, while walking on Wall, you come upon the United States Treasury and Assay Office, which are supposed to be owned by the Government but are ruled by a banker, Henry Morgantheau. Then comes the Bank of Manhattan building, a sky-scraping palace of steel and stone. Adjoining it is the National City Safe Deposit Co.

While crossing William Street you glance down the block at the home of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., from which flowed the blood money so necessary in financing the Russian revolution. On the corner of William and Wall Streets is the Bank of New York, founded in 1784 by Alexander Hamilton before he turned the monetary system over to the banks while acting as the first Secretary of the Treasury.

Adjoining Hamilton's contribution to Wall Street is another branch of the National City Bank. Next comes Seligman and Co., an international banking firm. Adjoining it is the Commercial National Bank and Trust Co. Then, before reaching Pearl Street, you notice Salomon Brothers, a discount house, the Bank of Montreal, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the Seaman's Savings Bank.

THOUGH Wall Street extends for another two blocks beyond Pearl Street, this is the end of the financial part of it. Walking back on the other side of "Bankers' Lane" you pass a few retail stores and then come to Brown Brothers, Harriman, a brokerage and private banking house. Next, you meet the central office building of the National City Bank, which occupies a square block fronting on Wall Street, and in the rear is connected by an overhead passage with another building that also occupies a square block. This extension houses a Canadian bank and the City Bank Farmer's Trust Co., a subsidiary of the National City.

Recrossing William Street, again you meet the Bank of Nova Scotia, the Dominion Bank of Canada and the United States Trust Co. The next two buildings, which extend back a full block, are the property of the Chase National Bank, the largest banking concern in the world. Now you are at the hub of Wall Street, a building simply marked "23 Wall Street." No sign indicates it, but this is the famous House of Morgan.

Crossing Broad Street, you are in front of one of the oldest and most dilapidated buildings on the Bankers' Lane, the New York Stock Exchange. This building is owned by an association composed of stock brokers, but it is ruled from the building you just passed, 23 Wall Street. The former president of the Stock Exchange, Richard Whitney, now residing at Sing Sing prison, was a brother of a partner in the House of Morgan. No one can be elected president of the Stock Exchange and no major policy can be undertaken without first being approved by the House of Morgan. The next palatial structure you meet, the Irving Trust Company, is on the corner of Broadway, the point or place of beginning.

WHERE are the stock brokers located? Where are those mighty titans whom every newspaper will tell you rule Wall Street? They rent a few rooms from the banks in the floors above the street level. Brokers cannot afford to have their offices on the street floor of Wall Street for the rent is too steep and none of them have enough money to buy a building as do the banks and rent out the floors they cannot use.

Brokers rent their offices from banks, borrow bank money to finance their purchases of securities, are told by the Federal Reserve board how much margin their customers must put up to buy securities; in general the brokers must bend the knee to the bankers at every turn.

The bankers make their money from stock market transactions in many ways while the brokers must rely chiefly on the fraction of a per cent commission they are paid for buying and selling securities. Private banks—such as J. P. Morgan and Co., Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Lehman Brothers—underwrite bonds and stocks. That is, these houses take an issue of bonds from a business and promise to pay the corporation at the rate of 90 cents on the dollar. Then these bonds are sold to the public at from 95 to 100 by the underwriter. This gives the bank a profit of 5 to 10 cents on each dollar. Eventually the business that issues the bonds must sweat its employes to make up for the underwriters' profit or the public who bought the bonds at an inflated price must suffer the loss.

Then, most every corporation with stocks or bonds listed on the Stock Exchange has a bank for its transfer agent. A bank transfer agent simply changes the name of the owner of the stock on the certificate after it has been sold. If A sells stock to B then it is necessary to have the name on the stock changed from A (seller) to B (buyer). For this service the banks charge the corporation whose stock it handles a fee. The banks collect a transfer fee on most every share of stock sold on the exchange.

Most people who speculate in the stock market lose their shirts and then curse the brokers. Brokers are driven to the wailing wall and then shout nasty names (you must hear them to appreciate their bitterness as they are unprintable) at President Roosevelt and the Securities Exchange Commission. No one ever puts the blame where it really belongs—on the banks.

Wall Street is the Monte Carlo of America, with much higher stakes and *a much greater percentage in favor of the banks!*

Irreducible Debt!

Interest Could Employ 463,000 Men at $2,000 a Year

By J. CORR FITZGERALD

THE people of the United States may reasonably presume that the President will be precise in the words he uses in his annual message to Congress. Therefore, the presence of certain loose expressions in the most important part of his message for 1939 raises the question whether the President has been ill-advised regarding these major issues.

President Roosevelt said: "Certain expenditures *we cannot possibly reduce*, such as the interest on the public debt. A few million dollars saved here or there, in the normal or in curtailed work of old departments and commissions, will make no great saving in the Federal budget."

Now to consider that second sentence first, Mr. Roosevelt implies that a saving on the interest charges on the public debt would be a saving of a "few million dollars." Certainly, this sort of language leaves the ordinary newspaper reader with the idea that the interest on the public debt does not amount to very much—"just a few millions."

Doubtless, it is a small amount in the eyes of a President who has found it easy to float some $20-BILLIONS in bonds, yet these few millions of interest are precisely $926,280,714, or a tax of $7.12 on every man, woman and child in the country. If this huge sum were used to employ men—instead of going to the bondholders who don't need it—more than 463,000 men could be hired at an annual wage of $2,000. Figuring it on the W.P.A. wage, a million men could be hired for a year.

That's what could be done with those "few millions."

NEVERTHELESS, the Executive has assured us that we cannot possibly reduce the public debt in order to save these "few millions" which would be "no great saving in the federal budget." Now every reader of this annual message must have been struck by the President's use of so absolute an expression as *"we cannot possibly reduce certain expenditures."*

In simple language, that means that there is absolutely no method whatever that could be used to reduce this public debt and therefore the interest on it. At least one method of reducing such a debt will occur to every person who is at all acquainted with finance. But apart from this, the President's dictum is at direct variance with the collective opinion of the Committee on Banking and Currency of the House of Representatives.

For years this Committee has been meeting daily to discuss, among other things, this precise question. For years, this Committee has listened to monetary and banking experts from every corner of the nation, with a view to getting the best thought on Government financing and banking. For years, the members of this Committee have studied money and banking, and several of these gentlemen have themselves submitted bills which contain provisions for reducing the public debt.

No one denies that, of all our Representatives, these gentlemen are the best equipped to speak on the money question. Specifically, the Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough has for years attempted to have one of his own bills accepted by the House, which bill *provided a mechanism for reducing the public debt.* And as recently as March, 1938, this Committee had hearings on Mr. Wright Patman's bill providing for Government ownership of the Federal Reserve banks, which, of course, would lead to a reduction of our debt.

A majority of this Committee are agreed that, in the words of Thomas Edison: "If the United States *can issue a dollar bond it can issue a dollar bill."* The only difference between the bond and the bill is that the bonds draws interest, which interest in 1938 amounted to $926-million. Evidently, therefore, this interest can be saved by the simple process of exchanging the outstanding bonds for Government currency, which currency would be held by the banks as a 100 per cent reserve against deposits.

But the bankers will shout, "Robbery!"

They will indeed shout, but the only robbery is the robbery of the people's money in the form of interest on the bonds, because the bankers got the bonds for nothing in the first place. They have no strict right to the interest because all they gave the Government in exchange for the bonds was a deposit acccount created on the bank ledger. The Government obligingly checked out the deposit to pay the cost of relief, and the bankers proceeded to clip the coupons.

This Committee thinks the public debt can and should be reduced. Mr. Roosevelt does not?

Who advises our President anyhow?

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Exploiting the Refugees

Gangs of Passport Forgers and Smugglers Who Prey Upon the Harassed and Bewildered Emigrants Are the Scandal of Europe

***By* JOSEPH GIBBONS**

EUROPE'S most glaring scandal at the moment is the manner in which its refugees are being exploited. These are not solely Jews, but members of various "liberal" or "social democratic" parties also who are fleeing from Germany, Austria, Hungary, Sudetenland and other areas in the grip of, or threatened by, authoritarian government.

The exploitation of these refugees starts within the borders they seek to cross. Politicians, police, sentries and administrators seek bribes for facilitating their flight and these bribes are assessed on the ability to pay and not on any recognized scale.

Once across the border the refugees have to pay toll to similar gangs in the countries of transit and, in addition, to meet the demands of crooks who offer to supply forged passports or to smuggle them into democratic countries.

The refugee traffic has been in existence ever since Mussolini and Hitler assumed power, but of recent months it has grown to a flood reminiscent of a stampede of animals with packs of wolves, jackals and other beasts of prey worrying the flying herds.

Formerly Belgium, Holland and Switzerland alone had their small gangs of smugglers guiding individuals and small parties across their borders and speeding them on their way principally to France and Great Britain, but now the streams of refugees are flowing almost as fast through the Eastern countries of Europe, making for the Adriatic and even the Bosphorus.

The smugglers and passport forgers of Belgium years ago put the whole matter on a business footing with a known scale of charges and traffic schedules, and their well-oiled underground railway is still preferred by refugees who can get within reach of its depots. This is not always possible, however, and refugees have to put up with rough and ready makeshift organizations in Holland, Poland and Denmark on the north or the even less human rapacities of the South-Eastern countries.

It is not only exploitation for gain which is being inflicted on these refugees. They are being even more scandalously exploited politically and socially. An example of this political exploitation is afforded by the Zionist Federation which has made a much publicized offer to harbor in Palestine ten thousand Jewish refugee children from Germany. This, of course, was an astute move as it would give Palestine a further ten thousand Jews to bargain with the British government against the Arabs on a population basis and would appeal to the humanitarian sentiments of the world. Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the British Dominions and Colonial Minister, had the strength of mind to refuse to allow this particular ten thousand to be used in this manner.

Open Communists, as well as those disguising themselves as Social-Democrats, Socialists or advanced "liberals" are also taking a hand in exploiting the refugees by using them as awful examples of authoritarian methods to swing the popular mind of the democratic countries into a war fever against Hitler and Mussolini or both. The shrill anger of these is heard in incitement in every country.

The same gentry are exploiting the young men of the refugee families, particularly, by straining every nerve and using every wile to turn them into terrorists. Some of these young men already have undertaken the dangerous duty of smuggling "democratic" literature into the authoritarian states—but mainly into Germany—and the production and distribution of this literature is organized on a huge scale.

This is considered good business by the Communist organizers. It promotes unrest in Germany and can be done through tools inspired by grievance and misery without any risk to the exploiters.

There is danger to the peace of the world in this exploitation of refugees, especially in the intensification and misuse of their natural sense of injury. Not only is popular indignation being superheated by the stories of tyranny and cruelty so that the peoples are becoming war-minded, but terrorists are being trained so that any day the great explosion may be caused by an assassination or an attempt on the part of one of these maddened exploiters.

EWING GALLOWAY

WE CAN KEEP *America out of War!*

***By* KENNETH SCOTT**

ON July 4, 1934, Senator Borah said, "We went into a foreign war, a war having its roots in wholly foreign politics. We left our dead on foreign soil. Those policies of those countries remain the same. Europe is no nearer peace than before. We have our dead and crippled, our maimed and insane, our wrenched and twisted institutions, while Europe retains her bitterness, her dissension, her old balance of power."

The American people know that the Senator's words are true and so do our representatives in Washington. There is only one policy consistent with American tradition and American interests, and that is a policy of strict neutrality, the course first charted by George Washington when he said: "It is our true policy to steer clear of permanent alliances with any portion of the foreign world."

Americans today can subscribe to the pronouncement of Thomas Jefferson that "our first and fundamental maxim should be never to entangle ourselves in the broils of Europe."

Experience has proved that our great statesmen were right, for our three major deviations from the course of strict neutrality were disastrous. The first of these—a treaty in 1889 with Germany and Great Britain calling for joint supervision of the Samoan Islands—was instructive. The whole mess, for such it proved to be, is well summed up by the words of the then Secretary of State, W. Q. Gresham: "Soberly surveying the history of our relations with Samoa, we well may inquire what we have gained by our departure from our established policy (isolation), beyond the expenses, the responsibilities, and the entanglements that so far have been its only fruits."

The next two lapses involved war and revealed to modern war mongers the tactics which they are employing at this very moment. In 1898 a newspaper campaign featuring atrocity stories "conditioned" the American public for the War with Spain. President McKinley declared "The chronic condition of disturbances menaces the tranquility of the American nation . . . *besides shocking its sentiment of humanity.*" The formula is that of 1939: warnings of threats (which are non-existent) to our tranquility and, above all, atrocity stories.

The European belligerents of 1914 were like the would-be American war makers of 1939. An American historian ably summed up the situation when he wrote "The allied propagandists in the United States managed to convince the people that the German army was composed of thugs, cutthroats, sadists and thieves. There was no truth in it . . . Compared with the depredations of Sherman's army in Georgia and South Carolina in 1864 the invasion of Belgium and northern France by the Germans looks like a pleasant afternoon call. It is impossible to conduct a large-scale war successfully without systematic lying."

Who are the potential war-makers of 1939? They consist of certain American and European sympathizers with the moribund League of Nations, the champions of the Treaty of Versailles and its spirit of injustice; of some Americans, for the most part with little or no knowledge of European languages, culture, and problems, who yearn to set the affairs of Europe in order, to mingle, for the sheer excitement of it, in matters which do not even remotely concern us. And finally come Dictator Stalin and his international henchmen, who delight in fishing in troubled waters.

Only last May, Stalin addressed the meeting of the Third International with these words: "The direct starting of revolutionary action abroad—in the grand style—will not now be possible if we do not succeed in exploiting the rivalry between states with a view to precipitating them into an armed conflict."

Largely as a result of these words the unhappy American public is the object of cunning propaganda which appeals to our "humanity" and plays upon our sentimentality. Too often the charges levelled against other nations are true. Often they are not. In any event, we seem to forget that we are inclined to condemn in others the same faults which we overlook or condone in ourselves. The precept, "Let him who is guiltless cast the first stone," is Christian, charitable, and common sense.

How, it may be asked can we avoid being drawn into, or perhaps ourselves precipitating, a war which would do no country any good, would solve none of the world problems, and would in all likelihod destroy Christianity and Western civilization? The formula is tried and trustworthy. We need only to take our newspapers' atrocity stories with a bucketfull (and not the proverbial "grain") of salt. We need only to exercise our native intelligence, display a modicum of charity, and above all, by constitutional amendment, make it impossible for our congress, president, or his advisers to stampede us into any war of aggression.

It would, furthermore, be salutary to our foreign relations, and above all to our domestic situation, if our public officials would cease their threats and preachments against Europe and confine their thoughts to the pressing problems in the United States which they have thus far failed to solve.

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Prayers for Sick and Dead at Shrine of Little Flower

For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us: so also by Christ doth our comfort abound. II Corinthians 1:5

THOSE who suffer physical ailments are perpetuating the Passion of Christ. They may be lowly members of the Mystical Body of Christ. They may be important members of an essential organism. For all of them, the prayers of those of us who are their fellow-men are requested — for their recovery.

Their sufferings redound to our credit, and our prayers assist them in their distress.

Each day, if you are a true follower of social justice, please include the Lord's Prayer in your devotions, for the welfare and speedy recovery of our sick.

Readers are invited to send in to Father Coughlin, at the Shrine of the Little Flower, in Royal Oak, Michigan, the names of sick and departed relatives and friends for whom remembrance can be made.

LOVE is not time's fool.

The grave is not the end-all of life.

True believers in social justice continue to manifest their love for their dead, who really are still living in the Land of God.

Consequently, we ask you not only to pray that God will crown the life of one who has passed to the beyond with eternal happiness; we ask you who are still in this land of tears and sorrows, to perform a kind deed as a gesture of love for our faithful departed.

When you bestow an alms-deed on a hungry person; when you clothe a naked orphan; when you restrain and overcome a temptation, do this as an Act of Love, for one who, we hope, is waiting to receive us some day soon in Christ's kingdom, where poverty and passion and distress are unknown.

This is the real spirit of devotees of social justice.

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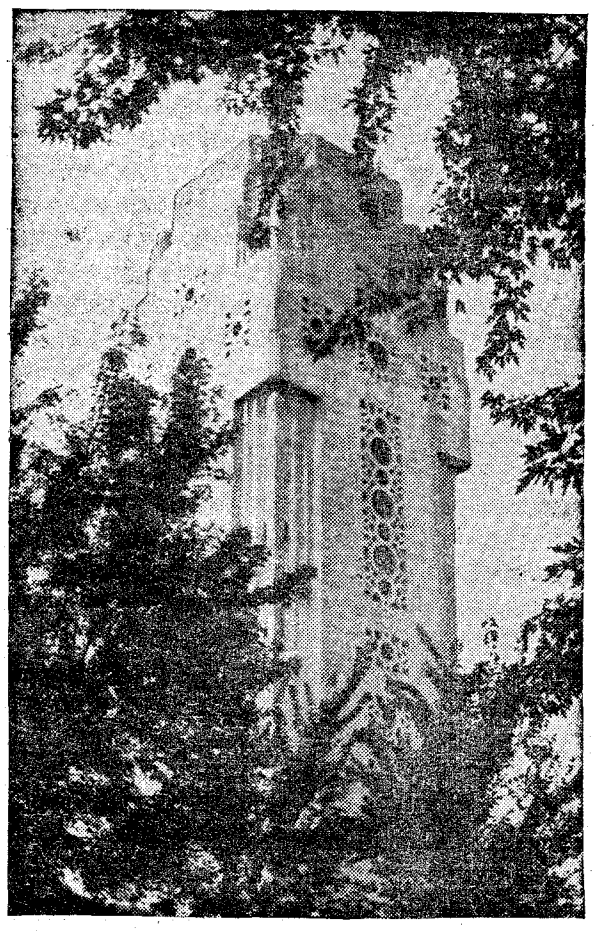

FROM THE TOWER

It will require many months of honest cooperation on the part of all leaders before the idea of corporative democracy will be grasped by the American people.

At an industrial conference summoned under the direction of Archbishop Mooney of Detroit, a new and local impetus was given to this subject. His Excellency diplomatically distinguished between a corporative state and a corporative democracy. The distinction was well made because, unfortunately, many Americans are prone to identify a corporative state with a totalitarian state. This conclusion would be erroneous.

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I believe the readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE accept the viewpoint that there is a distinction. More than a year ago, in speaking on this subject, I made an effort to clarify the idea that it would be for the best interest of the citizens of the United States not to rid themselves of democracy and representative government, but to perfect democracy by perfecting our form of representation.

At present Congressmen represent us on a geographical basis, commonly referred to as congressional districts. I mean that the laborers, farmers, professional men, housewives—all voters living within a certain territory and independent of their economic state in life—elect a representative to represent a district—a representative who does not represent any special type or economic division of people living in that district.

I suggested that this geographical representation was obsolete and that for it should be substituted an occupational or vocational representation.

Archbishop Mooney is to be congratulated when he advocates that all Catholics and Christians and Americans make it their objective to join some union because, before we can entertain favorably the idea of occupational representation, it will be necessary for our people to identify themselves with some occupational group.

By this it is understood that the laborer will join a labor group; the farmer, an agricultural group; the lawyer, physician, surgeon and professional man, a professional group. Every voting citizen should belong to some occupational group.

Once this movement gets under way, then the leaders of the people will not find it difficult to show the advantages of occupational representation at Washington, rather than geographical representation. The laborers will have their representatives in Congress. So will the farmers. So will the professional men. So will every other group. Not too many representatives will be required because we will not be divided into too many groups.

Each group, not according to congressional district territory but according to occupation, will elect, in a democratic fashion, its representative to Congress. Congress will be composed of men or women who will speak authoritatively and legally for the groups they represent. All together, these representatives will be the legislative body for a nation that is a unit composed of many corporations. And each corporation will represent a vocational group.

Not one item of democracy will be lost under such a system. Rather, democracy will be perfected.

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As an observation for those who will undertake to promote this idea, let me pass on the experience gained as a result of last year's broadcast on this subject. It is this: I find from a multitude of letters which came to my desk that many Americans are surfeited with politicians. They interpret their displeasure by saying that our two-party system operates to the disadvantage of progress. Instead of wholesome benefits accruing to all the people from the two-party system, it is operated on the basis that the spoils belong only to the victors.

I also find that a surprisingly great number of persons are in favor of abolishing this two-party system and substituting for it a corporative democracy where a one-party system of politics will succeed the white carnation gangsterism which now dominates the halls of Congress. "If there must be partyism, let it express itself in the corporations of laborers, for example; let a two or multiple party system exist within the union. But, once the union or corporation elects a representative, there will be no more party bickering amongst the representatives when they convene at Washington." That is the idea which one man expressed and which seems to interpret the minds of thousands of the letters which I received.

I pass this information on to you to show you that the idea has caught on.

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LAST night I listened to Mr. George McCullough, the publisher of THE GLOBE AND MAIL of Toronto. Speaking over a network of Canadian stations, Mr. McCullough attacked very politely and yet very vigorously the obsolete system of provincial government which, according to him, is sapping the resources of Canada. For all the money Canadians put into government, so he said, they are getting very meagre returns. He maintained that it is high time that Canadians jump the one-hoss shay of provincialism and streamline their political activities along more economic, business-like and efficient methods. He explained that there is too much overlapping of provincial government with Dominion government. And he concluded that, in these days of preparation for war, of armaments, battleships and airplanes, citizens must not forget that their first line of defense is a satisfied citizenry which enjoy profitable returns from their jobs.

Mr. McCullough is a rich man, a powerful man and a thoroughly honest man who does not fear to tell the truth even though he attracts the the enmity of the professional politicians who are perpetually issuing more bonds. As long as a politician can spend other people's money—even though it is the wrong kind of money—he will do so in order to perpetuate himself in office. He is interested in multiplying jobs not because political jobs are required, but because these political jobs mean more votes for him at the next election.

It is unfortunate that George McCullough's Sunday night talks are not heard over every radio station in America.

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Thousands in his audience will accuse him of being a Fascist because he is opposed to the leechery of so-called democratic government which is anything but democratic. To the bondholders in Canada and elsewhere Mr. McCullough gave more startling advice. He pointed out that the first billion dollars' worth of bonds issued by a government was backed by the entire wealth of the nation. The purchasers of these bonds have every right to expect that they will be redeemed. But when the government issues another, and another and a third billion dollars' worth of bonds on top of the first, then the chances of the first billion dollars' worth of bonds being redeemed is only one to four.

Whether or not you agree with George McCullough, he will certainly stimulate you to think. To my mind, he is one of the most courageous publishers in America. More power to him!

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IT appears that every year we suffer from a drouth. It is either a drouth caused by a lack of rain or one caused by a lack of truth. Just at present the soil of sound thinking in America is drying up because it is not being watered by the truthful news concerning daily events. The propaganda boys are shouting for war. Some of us blame the shouting on the loudspeaker commonly known as the press. Others, a little more subtle in their analysis, maintain that there would be no war and little talk of it if the politicians in Washington would speak out forthright against it. But those who go to the bottom—pardon me, who see far enough beyond the loudspeaker to envision the microphone where the noise originates—catch a glimpse of the international banker who bosses the politician, who makes the noise which comes out of the loudspeaking press and radio.

I am certain that the Germans, French, Italians, English, Poles, Belgians and Americans are absolutely opposed to war. Their so-called democratic leaders who declare war never go to war. They remain home. They borrow money from the banks and invest it in "war-baby" stocks which they know will soar to high prices. Having safely made this investment, they have no qualms of conscience in looking at life through the wrong end of the telescope. They have no qualms of conscience in voting a nation into war—a nation that has been boiled up by propaganda, by lies and by so-called democratic statesmen and politicians—all for the benefit of the international money changers and anti-Christ.

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I wish these ideas could be multiplied amongst your friends. Perhaps you can help both the friend and us by securing another subscription for SOCIAL JUSTICE this week.

Father Coughlin

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Restoration to Congress of its sole right to coin and regulate the value of money.
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Labor's right to organize.
Recall of non-productive bonds.
Abolition of tax-exempt bonds.
Broadened base of taxation on basis of ownership and capacity to pay.
Simplification of government and lower taxes.
Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.
Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with government's chief concern for the poor.

They're 'Smearing' Kennedy

ALMOST as if a signal had been given by someone in the inner circles of the Government, the "smear brigade" of Washington newspaper columnists have opened up on Joseph Kennedy, America's Ambassador to England.

Walter Winchell, the New York key-hole reporter, led off. The Broadway "hoofer" turned journalist, said in effect: That Ambassador Kennedy, a Barney Baruch puppet, has been fired, or is about to be, because he has had a falling out with his "master," Baruch; and that his likely successor to the Court of St. James will be William Bullit.

That Kennedy is or ever has been a "stooge" for Barney Baruch is enough to laugh him out of court. Far from being a Baruch puppet, Mr. Kennedy's principles are known to be opposed to all that Baruch's type stands for. So maybe there is some truth in the "firing" rumor. That any ambassador who defied the will of Mr. Baruch would have to walk the plank is understandable; so is the report that the "leftist" Bullit would be more *persona grata.*

Joining in the "smear" drive and not to be outdone by a Winchell, the Washington "merry-go-round" operators, Pearson and Allen—against whom SOCIAL JUSTICE has more than once had occasion to warn readers—have come out with a charge that Mr. Kennedy favors Loyalist Spain. The bare facedness of that statement is of a piece with the Baruch libel.

The contemptible part of it all is that Mr. Kennedy, observing the ethics of the ambassadorship, cannot defend himself. And the "smear brigade" is depending upon just that. Are we then to conclude that Ambassador Kennedy—whose 'fine mind, whose Christian family and the integrity of whose character we know—is about to be replaced by a more pliable man? Have the newspaper boys been ordered to "smear" him so that the firing will appear more justifiable when "they" decide to do it?

Always, it seems, there is enough half-truth in these newspaper smears to keep the smearers within the law—and a fat payroll. Discounting the things that we know to be unsupportable, there is left the plain tip that Ambassador Kennedy is about to be "fired."

Another Irish Persecution

THE Irish, persecuted through 700 years in their effort to find expression for their love of liberty and patriotism, now are being subjected to another "persecution."

The Communists, fanatically zealous for a world revolution, find as their greatest stumbling block Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain of England, who secured "peace for our time" in the Treaty of Munich.

Determined to drive Chamberlain out of office, and put Anthony Eden, perchance, in his place, the Communist revolutionaries of England, France and the United States, to say nothing of those in Russia, have set their guns for a relentless assault that will change with the tide, but never stop.

Sensational bombings in London and throughout England are reported in the press. In every instance these bombings are being blamed upon "Irish Republicans," or "Irish Nationalists," or "Irish patriots." Not one iota of proof has been adduced to support these propagandist accusations!

It is not commonly known that the world revolutionaries have established a most important nerve center at Dublin. It is not unlikely that from this "key" cell have originated every one of the bombings reported from London, Manchester and several counties of Northern Ireland.

Able to provoke assault upon Chamberlain and the British government, and at the same time blame the disorders on the "Irish patriots," the Communist revolutionaries pursue two objectives close to their hearts. They, above all others, burn with hatred at the success, on the one hand, of de Valera in uniting Ireland; and on the other, of Chamberlain in averting war.

But the Irish of America will not be deceived. Although they have dropped the hyphen that links them to the Emerald Isle as "Irish-Americans," to emerge as staunch, true Americans solely, they have a love of Irish patriotism, and a zeal for the unconquerable Irish spirit that will bid them scourge out of existence the greatest domestic enemy of both America and Ireland—Communism.

The greatness of De Valera in his heroic effort to unify Ireland, and the greatness of Chamberlain in averting war, will not be smirched by the terroristic acts of international Communists, inflamed to the point of madness by the failure of their efforts to pitch the Christian world into a war of self-destruction.

This is persecution of Christians by anti-Christians.

This is an effort to divide the loyalty of millions of Americans of Irish descent. This is an act of aggression against the true peacemakers of the world.

America's Irish sons will recognize it as such, and drive from their society those who would fasten still another persecution upon the long-persecuted Irish.

Why Recognize Russia?

WHY *do* we continue to RECOGNIZE Communist Russia?

Why does the United States continue to REFUSE RECOGNITION to Nationalist Spain? Especially when, alone with Communist Russia and Communistic France, we are the only world power to withhold such recognition.

In 1919, Secretary of State Colby, in a formal note, refused recognition of Russia on the ground that "the Third International, heavily subsidized by the Bolshevist government from the public revenue of Russia, has for its openly avowed aim the promotion of Bolshevist revolutions throughout the world." (See SOCIAL JUSTICE, Jan. 9).

All of the succeeding Administrations up to the present likewise refused to recognize Soviet Russia. When the present Administration did recognize Russia, Foreign Minister Litvinov signed a pledge to President Roosevelt which stated that Russia was

"Not to permit *the formation or residence on its territory of any organization or group,* and to prevent the activity on its territory of any organization or group, or of representatives or officials of any organization or group, which has as an aim the overthrow or the preparation for the overthrow of, or bringing about by force of, a change in the political or social order of the whole or any part of the United States, its territories or possessions."

In August, 1935, repeated Communistic activities in the United States led to a firm protest by America—a protest against the very thing that Litvinov in 1933 had pledged the Soviet government not to do. Litvinov replied, in substance, that from his pledge there could be no inference that it referred to the Communist International.

And there, so far as the American public is informed, THE MATTER HAS BEEN PERMITTED TO REMAIN.

The findings last year of the Massachusetts Commission on un-American activities, the credible testimony before the recent Dies Committee, and abundant other evidence, clearly prove that Communist propaganda has continued at an accelerating rate throughout the United States.

What does this country GAIN from its recognition of Russia to counteract the terrific and continued infiltration of the Red virus?

What do we stand to LOSE by a withdrawal of that recognition at once?

Highlights of the Broadcast . . .

TEN MILLION UNEMPLOYED

Sunday, January 22, 1939

RECENTLY I gave expression to the thought that I fear an army of ten million unemployed American citizens more than I do the possibility of our country's being overrun by ten million foreigners.

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All agree that unemployment does not exist because we have no factories, no raw materials, no sufficiency of inventors, of skilled engineers and of trained workmen. There is no nation in this wide world which God has blessed with such fecundity, both in materials and men, as this United States . . . All agree, despite our political leanings, that there was never such a demand for the finished products which our country's institutions are capable of manufacturing.

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How many of us understand the weakness of a policy which lends credit dollars at interest to be used in purchasing bayonets, shrapnel, shell holes and white crosses. Is it not true that after all this money has been spent nothing remains but wounded citizens, demolished homes, decayed corpses and broken ideals?

From what source, then, do the lenders expect to obtain the money they loan for destructive purposes? It appears to me that no financial institution should lend a million dollars in bank notes to a maniac who plans to use these bank notes as fuel in a fireplace! The best return the lender can expect is to gather up the ashes that remain.

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It is my observation that any government, or group of men whose policies control the government, which insists that financial rights are more sacred than are human rights—the right to live, to be clothed, to be sheltered, to enjoy the frugal conveniences to which a human being is entitled—that government or group of men is dicing with disaster.

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Unless there is another World War—and God forbid that you or I should share responsibility for its declaration—unless there is another World War, I can see no solution for the problem of unemployment as long as we continue protecting a financial system of debts and dollars, which, after six years of heroic trial, has proven incompetent to reduce unemployment very substantially.

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For your reflection, let me ask you who imposed upon us this present system of credit money which succeeds in producing prosperity only when we are preparing for war; only when we are engaged in war; or only when the controllers of credit are preparing for the confiscation of America's homes and farms and factories? This system which we are following was developed for us by the Rothschilds and inflicted upon us by the international bankers!

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The time has arrived when internationalism must give way to reasonable nationalism and when A NATIONAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM planned for the common welfare of the industrialist, the laborer, the farmer and the professional man, must be substituted for the international credit dollar which exists for the welfare of those whose only country is where their fortune lies.

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The answer to unemployment will be found not in seeking ways and means to alter our Constitution to fit the program of Communism or Naziism, as it will in seeking a way to let our Constitution operate free from the entanglements with which the servants of the internationalists have constructed it.

The answer will be found not so much in making our sole objective *the material welfare of America* as it will in recapturing the vanishing virtue of Christian charity, which bids us regard our fellow man as a brother of Jesus Christ and which warns us that whatsoever we do to Him, we do unto Christ.

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I believe that WE CAN HAVE PEACE AND PROSPERITY AT THE SAME TIME. I do not subscribe to the proposition that if we have prosperity we must have war. That is Satan's gospel. Peace is the gospel of Christ.

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The Week in the Nation

Embargo Critics Snowed Under In Shower Of Wires

Father Coughlin's Address Preserves U.S.Neutrality

DANGER of American involvement in a foreign war lessened last week as a snowfall of telegrams demanding that United States neutrality be preserved descended on official Washington.

The telegram storm, provoked by Father Coughlin's address on the danger of indifferentism in relation to the Spanish civil war, promised to equal or exceed the record of protest created last spring when a weakling Senate passed President Roosevelt's dictatorial government reorganization bill.

And just as last spring's telegraphic blizzard inspired a rebellious House of Representatives to shelve reorganization, so the present storm of protest served to overcome the propaganda fired broadside by more than 200 radical leftist organizations, anxious to pitch America into war. State Department authorities indicated the issue of lifting the embargo was dead.

High point of the present protest, against involving the United States in a strictly foreign war, was its spontaneity. Shortly after Father Coughlin concluded his address, offices of both the Western Union and Postal telegraph companies in the East and Middle West were jammed.

RESPONSE "PHENOMENAL"

More than 150,000 wires were received in Washington from Sunday night through Monday. Forty special trunks were set up by Western Union officials to assist in carrying the almost unprecedented load. Officials said 44 receiving points were staffed with special assistants, but that the volume of the protest was such that 200 points should have been expanded.

Officials of both companies characterized as "phenomenal" the response to Father Coughlin's talk, indicating that in their estimation it exceeded in intensity that of the address on the reorganization bill. In the latter case, the issue had been drawn plainly in the daily press and had been clarified completely in three of Father Coughlin's broadcasts. In the present instance there was but one broadcast, and little or no newspaper publicity.

Senator Robert Wagner of New York received the greatest number of telegrams. Next in order were Senators Brown and Vandenberg of Michigan, Walsh and Lodge of Massachusetts, Meade of New York, Taft and Donahey of Ohio, Barkley of Kentucky, and Davis and Guffey of Pennsylvania. The protest from Minnesota and Kentucky was greater than on any previous occasion Western Union officials said.

MESSAGES TURNED AWAY

Telegraph authorities expressed regret that they hadn't gauged beforehand the smouldering popular resentment against the propagandist campaign carried on to lift the embargo. If they had, they said, they would have quadrupled their facilities. As it was, they were unable, in some localities, to meet the demand. In Fort Wayne, Ind., for example, more than 700 messages were received in the first two hours, and four times that number rejected because the office was clogged so completely the messages could not be transmitted.

As Father Coughlin pointed out in his address, the campaign to lift the embargo was at its height, with the League for Peace and Democracy holding its annual Congress in Washington, and with scores of other leftist organizations sending delegates to the national Capitol to buttonhole Senators and Representatives, and impress President Roosevelt with their purpose.

In view of this marshalled sentiment in favor of embargo-lifting, the response given to Father Coughlin's talk, and the action obtained by the protestors against violating our neutrality is even more remarkable.

POLL WOULD SHOW 8-MILLION

The audience estimate of three and one-half million given by the Gallup poll, if extended on a ratio basis to the population centers not reached by Father Coughlin's network, would show an audience of approximately eight million "regular" or constant listeners. This figure compares more favorably with the statistics collected by Father Coughlin's radio network agents.

The Gallup poll showed that of those who make up Father Coughlin's regular audience, the majority are Democrats. The average listener is more likely to be a resident of a city than a farm dweller, and more often is found in the lower income groups than in the upper-middle class, or well-to-do groups.

Most common comment of Father Coughlin's regular listeners, the poll showed to be: *"He isn't afraid to give the true facts,"* or, *"He knows what he's talking about."*

The Gallup poll has enjoyed an unusually good reputation for accuracy, picking Roosevelt to win the 1936 election although the *Literary Digest*, running a rival poll, showed Alfred M. Landon ahead every step of the way. The Father Coughlin poll, however, erred in that it was taken on a nation-wide, rather than a sectional basis. The Coughlin network, as constituted at present, reaches only 17 states, concentrated exclusively in the north-eastern section of the United States.

AMBASSADORS KENNEDY AND BULLITT tell Congress of the danger of European war. Mr. Kennedy (right), Ambassador to Britain, spoke of Germany's air strength and approved plans for solidifying our own. Mr. Bullitt, Ambassador to France, emphasized Germany's strength as against that of France and Britain. Together, they agreed war might come by spring, as Congressmen warned against "entangling alliances" that might lead us into the catastrophe. (Acme)

RADIO

Radio Audience Estimate 15-Million

HOW many radio listeners has Father Coughlin? Although there is no certain way of determining the exact number, statisticians of the agency which arranged the Radio Priest's network, estimate his listening audience at from 13 million to 17 millions, depending on season and radio reception conditions.

The American Institute of Public Opinion, under the direction of Dr. George Gallup, attempted to determine Father Coughlin's audience through a nation wide poll. Their figures showed that through the month of December, 1938, more than 15 million persons listened to one or more of Father Coughlin's broadcasts. Their figures, however, estimated his "regular" audience of constant listeners at only three and one-half millions.

Be it pointed out that the Gallup poll was taken in every state of the nation, *whereas Father Coughlin's present radio network reaches only 17 states.* Thus persons living in California, Nevada, Louisiana, Montana, etc. could not answer affirmatively the question: "Do you listen to Father Coughlin's broadcasts?"

CONGRESS

Ambassadors Tell of European War Crisis

AMID the confusion in Washington attending the President's plea for an unprecedented appropriation for national defense, the testimony of two American ambassadors — Joseph P. Kennedy and William C. Bullitt—lent strength to the growing belief that European war is inevitable.

Mr. Kennedy, Ambassador to Great Britain, and Mr. Bullitt, Ambassador to France, told the assembled members of the Senate and House Military affairs committee, that Germany's push toward the Ukraine, or Italy's drive for Tunisia, might precipitate a general European crisis.

These diplomatists emphasized in addition the strength of Germany's war machine which possesses 6,000 war planes of first rank, and whose factories are able to turn out an additional 1,000 planes every month under emergency conditions. Although the testimony of Ambassadors Kennedy and Bullitt was "secret," nonetheless the story leaked out. Further the story served to emphasize that: (1). Now more than ever before, America must solidify her position of neutrality, avoiding any possible entanglement in European squabbling or warfare; (2). America must arm defensively, with a first-rate air force, and with other first-rate defensive machinery, but must not, under any circumstances, equip herself with such a supply of offensive arms that she might be tempted to try them on a foreign power.

MONROE DOCTRINE POLICY

The delicate question of our obligations under the Monroe Doctrine has been brought to the fore in the face of European quarreling, and our armament agitation. Although the leftist world would throw us at the throat of "aggressors,"—always Fascist and never Communist—we must steer a careful course away from that very thing. Our policy must be one of watchful defense, against all aggressors, Fascist or Nazi and Communist.

Concerning South America, we must be alert to defend her democratic republics, if invited, but must never use an imagined act of aggression against South America to justify our embroilment in a war of aggression against a foreign foe, real or imaginary.

In testimony before the House and Senate committees, it was Mr. Bullitt who stressed the "scare" aspect of the German strength. Bullitt, who has played hand in glove with the French interests zealous to establish a so-called "democratic front," was unable to answer the question: "How could Germany push a drive for air bases in the Western hemisphere, with a navy that is acknowledged to be much weaker than our own or that of Great Britain?"

NO WAR FOR "MINORITIES"

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, of North Carolina, was most emphatic in demanding that we avoid a great "war scare" in this country. "What have Hitler and the German people done to us that we should cuss them out," he asked. "It is said they have persecuted minorities. My heart and sympathy are with all minorities that are persecuted, but I'm d..... if I want my country to get into a war for the minorities of any country on earth. Ninety per cent of the American people are against war."

Meanwhile, it appeared that President Roosevelt's recommendations for bloated armaments would be passed by Congress insofar as the arms are for strictly defensive purposes. Congress will not agree to sanctions against other nations. Senator Borah denounced those advocating economic sanctions, and said he would rather have this nation "shooting soldiers, than starving women and children." He said further, "I don't look upon such action as a peace movement."

However, majority opinion in both houses of Congress is along the "no entangling alliances" line, and that's hopeful. Few want us embroiled in an issue leading to war, such as the submarine question in 1916-17.

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Your Telegrams DID It!

The Outspoken Voice of America Has Returned Our Government to Its Traditional Policy of No Foreign Entanglements: Both England and France Follow U. S. Lead on Spanish Embargo

ON Sunday afternoon, January 15, Father Coughlin warned the nation that 200 "leftist" organizations meeting in Washington planned to pressure the Administration to lift the neutrality embargo on Spain.

He pointed out that lifting the embargo would throw the resources of America to the aid of the Communist-Loyalists in Red Spain; alienate the nations of the world all of whom (except the United States, France and U.S.S.R.) have recognized National Spain; and lead, inevitably, to war.

Father Coughlin asked for telegrams from the American people to the United States Senate TO KEEP THE EMBARGO ON SPAIN.

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Over Sunday night and throughout Monday, you sent 150,000 telegrams—comparable to, if not exceeding, the deluge of wires which marked the Reorganization Bill and the World Court battles.

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On Monday, contemplating this determined expression from the people of America, the State Department accepted the verdict that "the embargo issue" was dead!

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On Tuesday, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain said that Great Britain WOULD NOT LIFT THE EMBARGO ON SPAIN!

France, too, said that she would FOLLOW THE ACTION OF THE UNITED STATES!

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Once again, a threat of world war was averted.

AND YOUR TELEGRAMS DID IT!

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MORE than the Spanish embargo was at stake in this flood of telegrams to Washington.

They were the voice of America, declaring firmly for the Founding Fathers' traditional policy of *"no entangling foreign alliances."*

They were notice to the United States Senate—and to the Administration—that the INDIFFERENTISTS in this country, as well as the Leftists, are awake.

Once awakened to the threat to our peace and democratic government, which lurks in these organizations and activities upon THE LEFT, Christian indifferentists must remain alert and watchful for their next move.

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Once again, the Communists have been cheated out of their hoped-for world war.

Their first defeat was at the peace conference in Munich.

The second was an appeal for telegrams by Father Coughlin's broadcast from the Shrine of the Little Flower.

THE NEXT—and there will be a next, do not be deceived about that—the next, perhaps, will be over Japan in the Far East; or in Eastern Europe.

As this is being written there are unexplained bombings in London and throughout England. The REAL PERPETRATORS, and their motives, will have to be discovered and TOLD to our readers.

INCIDENTALLY, this experience with telegrams from the people to indicate their will on national affairs demonstrates that Father Coughlin does not need any "organization." The vast majority of Father Coughlin's friends and radio listeners do not belong to any organized group. They are in all classes and all walks of life. And their support and their loyalty is given DIRECTLY TO FATHER COUGHLIN rather than through the medium of some well-intentioned organized activity.

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Father Coughlin's access to information on vital questions, through many sources not available to other individuals, permits him upon a moment's notice to pass this information on to the national radio audience, much more quickly and more efficiently than could possibly be done by correspondence through a set-up of local organizations.

Father Coughlin is in direct touch with the "news behind the news." Moreover, he is equipped to interpret and apply this information to swiftly developing world events. This is a service that the individual listener cannot possibly provide for himself.

The Sunday radio broadcast and the columns of SOCIAL JUSTICE are Father Coughlin's contact with the public. Your financial support of the broadcast, and your subscription or regular purchase of this National Weekly, is *indispensable* for an informed American.

Highlights of the Broadcast . . . .

Highlights of Father Coughlin's broadcast of Sunday, January 22, earlier scheduled for this page, will be found on Page 8.

A Belated Birthday Party . . .

ON Tuesday, January 17, Mr. Arthur Bril, accompanied by Mr. Elmer Kelley of Chicago and some friends, presented Father Coughlin with a check for $1,228.49. This money represented the net proceeds of a party which Father Coughlin's office had permitted these gentlemen to conduct last October.

Father Coughlin takes this opportunity to thank not only those who were instrumental in arranging for the party but the many hundreds of persons who participated in making it a success.

Particularly are his thanks due *when his friends in Chicago are partially denied the American right of listening to the broadcast from the Shrine of the Little Flower.*

However, Father Coughlin instructs the writer to say that he is in nowise identified with any organization in Chicago operating under any name whatsoever; that no organization, in Chicago or elsewhere, speaks for him, acts for him or conducts parties for him.

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The little home party, conducted by the good lady of the house, where a pleasant afternoon at cards offers an opportunity for the gathering of a loyal group, is much to be preferred to the vast assemblages conducted under the auspices of some organization.

The good ladies who gather in their own homes with their friends, and the good men who meet in the evening for a smoker, can accomplish more by obtaining subscriptions for SOCIAL JUSTICE and by organizing sales in their own neighborhood.

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In the case of Chicago there are many alarming impediments to the progress of social justice. Without mentioning them at present, we can indicate the backwardness of this movement in the "Windy City" by stating that 10,000 subscriptions, both bulk and individual, *represent the entire Illinois enthusiasm!*

What's wrong with Illinois?

The answer is evident: *Too much super-organization on the part of a few super-friends and too little contact directly by his thousands of friends with Father Coughlin.*

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Illinois friends, particularly, should write directly to this office. There is no need of anyone being forced to find access to Father Coughlin through the back door of any middle man.

This letter is an exception in acknowledging donations through the columns of SOCIAL JUSTICE. It is contrary to our policy. Nevertheless, it is the only way of bringing encouragement to the disillusioned friends of Father Coughlin in Illinois who are now deprived of the privilege of listening to him over the air.

Because this is so, Illinois people should make the most heroic attempt to multiply the circulation of SOCIAL JUSTICE. With the radio suppressed, SOCIAL JUSTICE is Father Coughlin's only contact with his thousands of fine friends in that state.

Here Is Example Of What Local Helpers Can Do

The following exemplary letter from a group of women in Minneapolis, Minnesota, is a splendid example of what loyal local groups can do to support Father Coughlin's work:

"In our neighborhood we are starting a chain of small card parties to raise funds for the broadcast, and we thought perhaps the plan might work out in other communities.

"As a beginning I have invited four ladies to play cards at my home. I will serve a very simple lunch—perhaps coffee and cake; and each will contribute 25 cents. I intend to purchase a money order in your favor for one dollar and enclose it with a letter to which each guest has signed her name.

"Each lady has promised to entertain four or more persons in the very near future and do likewise. For instance, one of the ladies is already inviting 12 guests to an afternoon party, and each one of them will be expected to entertain four or more guests in her home. At evening parties, with husbands included, eight to 12 guests can be easily entertained.

"We believe that this plan if carried out will afford not only many pleasant hours, but should be a source of considerable income for the broadcast, which is being more intensely appreciated each Sunday."

Lifting Embargo Was Opposed By Cong. McCormack

SOCIAL JUSTICE is in receipt of the following telegram from the Hon. John W. McCormack, Congressman from Massachusetts:

"I am sorry that any information that you received from your reporters or from any other source caused a misunderstanding on your part of my position on the question of lifting the Spanish embargo. I am opposed to it now and will continue to oppose it.

"It is my fixed opinion that such action would not be for our best interests. I assumed that my position to opposition to lifting the embargo, or to any legislation which would bring about such an effect, was well known.

"I have written to all persons who have communicated with me on this question frankly advising them that I am opposed to legislation which would result in the lifting of the embargo. I am pleased to so advise you so that the misunderstanding will be clarified.

"In the event any legislation to lift the embargo comes up in Committee or in the House of Representatives, I will do everything within my power by voice, vote and contacting my colleagues as ably and as effectively as I can, to prevent the passage of such legislation.

"Congressman John W. McCormack."

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NEW NAMES APPEAR

List of Additional "Starters" in SOCIAL JUSTICE $20,000 "Free America" Prize Campaign

The candidates' names published below have come in since the previous list was prepared. They are only a part of those entered in the contest.

Publication of the FIRST VOTE COUNT, to appear next week, will contain the names published last week, along with those on this page and such others received in the meantime.

Many fields, rich in opportunity, remain unrepresented by candidates, and all friends of SOCIAL JUSTICE who have a little spare time are cordially invited to enter the contest, without cost, and with the assurance of reward in proportion to the effort expended.

Nominations Mark Start of Big Race For Votes

Many Popular Social Justice Followers Nominated by Friends, But This Does Not Mean That All Are Active, or Will Become Active in Race; Friends are Ready and Anxious to Vote for Their Favorites—Send in Name Today!

Your First Subscription for One Year Will Start You Off with 35,000 Votes.

Votes shown on the list today do not in any case represent more than the 5,000 entry votes, the 20,000 bonus votes allowed on a First Subscription and the Regular Vote allowed on a one-year's subscription. Press time compelled closing of this page on January 20.

ARKANSAS
OKLE, Chas., Paragould 35,000

CALIFORNIA
DIXON, Catherine L., Altadena 35,000
GORMAN, Bernard, Santa Ana 5,000
LA PRAIRIE, E. D., Santa Cruz 35,000
MEYER, E. J., Los Angeles 5,000

CANADA
SCHROEDER, J. H., Walkerville 5,000

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
O'MEARA, S. E., Washington 35,000

ILLINOIS
ECK, C. J., Chicago 5,000
FINEGAN, G. I., Springfield 5,000
FUERST, L., Chicago 35,000
GONSKI, Theo., Chicago 35,000
GONWA, Mrs. Geo. A., Chicago 35,000
HASSEL, C. E., Chicago 5,000
HAUSEN, C., Chicago 5,000
KERRINS, Rev. J. J., Ashkum 5,000
LYE, Helen, Seneca 5,000
O'KEEFE, Pat., Chicago 35,000
SAUTER, T. F., Chicago 5,000
ZVIRBLIS, Jos., Chicago 35,000

INDIANA
KNAUTH, V. C., Vincennes 5,000
KUBLEY, W. R., Rochester 5,000
LANE, Nora, Whiting 35,000
McKINNON, A. J., Indianapolis 35,000
PEQUIGNOT, A. F., Ft. Wayne 35,000
SKABLA, R., Indianapolis 35,000

IOWA
ALLAN, C. E., Newton 35,000
BRUNER, C. W., Waterloo 35,000
DORWEILER, Jos., W. Bend 35,000
HACKETT, J. F., Sioux City 35,000
VERNON, Mrs. F. G., Des Moines 5,000

KANSAS
MERCER, C. C., Shawnee 35,000

MAINE
MAGOON, H. Y., Winn 35,000

MARYLAND
BOORME, K. M., Baltimore 5,000
MAMOCK, P. O., Baltimore 35,000

MASSACHUSETTS
AINSWORTH, Mrs. F., Fall River 35,000
ALOYSIA, Sister, S. Boston 35,000
AREY, T. M., Billercia 5,000
BIRD, M. A., Roxbury 5,000
CAPUANO, A., Smvlle. 5,000
CRONIN, J. F., Springfield 35,000
DES JARDINS, Norman, Springfield 35,000
MAYNARD, Mrs. G. A., Winthrop 35,000
PETRIE, Catherine, Roxbury 35,000
SULLIVAN, Mrs. M. J., Springfield 35,000
VELARDO, S., E. Boston 5,000

MICHIGAN
BEDER, Mrs. M., Merrill 5,000
DENEWETH, Mrs. M., Detroit 35,000
DUMAS, Mrs. E., Traverse City 35,000
LIVERNOIS, Miss M., Plymouth 35,000
MARTUS, Mrs. L., Mt. Clemens 5,000
McNEIL, Mrs. A., Detroit 35,000
OLSHESKI, F., N. W. Grand Rapids 35,000
WALKER, M. H., Royal Oak 35,000

MINNESOTA
BAILEY, G., Jersey City 35,000
BINDER, Jos., St. Paul 35,000
BREEN, Mrs. A. G., Minneapolis 5,000
CREAN, J. F., Amboy 35,000
EGAN, Mrs. V., Minneapolis 5,000
FRIEDMANN, Miss V., St. Paul 35,000
GALVIN, Mrs. E., Montrose 35,000
MAHER, Jas. F., Rahway 35,000
MEDLO, Jos., Minneapolis 35,000
MERGENS, M., Canhassen 35,000
MICHAUD, N., St. Paul 35,000
PULKRABEK, Miss A., Browerville 5,000
RINCK, O. M., Minneapolis 35,000
RYAN, E. P., Minneapolis 5,000
WHALEN, E. M., Stillwater 35,000

MISSOURI
RIESS, F. F., St. Louis 5,000
TERSCHLUSE, F., Union 35,000
UNNERSTALL, E. A., St. Louis 35,000

MONTANA
FREEMAN, Mrs. G., Great Falls 5,000

NEW HAMPSHIRE
BRIEN, A., Manchester 35,000
BUCKMINSTER, Mrs. J., Manchester 5,000

NEW JERSEY
BAGGAT, M. C., Jersey City 35,000
CLARK, J., Arlington 5,000
GRANT, Mrs. Wm., Phillipsburg 5,000
HODGES, W. A., Montclair 35,000
OAKES, E. M., Gloucester 35,000

NEW YORK
BETTINGER, Mrs. E., Bellerose 5,000
BURKE, E., E. Irvington 35,000
CASHIN, J. W., New York 35,000
CAULFIELD, P., New York 35,000
CLARK, A., Jamaica 35,000
COOPER, W., Schenectady 35,000
DEVINE, P., New York 35,000
EIFLER, G., Syracuse 35,000
FLYNN, M. Elizabeth, Bronx 35,000
FORD, A. M., Mamaroneck 35,000
KERR, Jas. W., New York 35,000
KRAUSS, C., Ozone Park 35,000
LYNCH, P. P., Woodside 5,000
MacCARDY, V. J., Brooklyn 5,000
MANNIX, Edw., Brooklyn 35,000
McAVOY, Elizabeth, Bronx 35,000
McCABE, H. P., Brooklyn 35,000
McCONWAY, E., New York 35,000
McMORROW, Catherine, Brooklyn 35,000
METTLER, Mrs. J., Earlville 5,000
O'BRIEN, Mrs. Katherine, Mechanicville 5,000
ORLANDI, A., Brooklyn 35,000
REISS, Jos., Glendale 35,000
SHEIL, G. M., Brooklyn 35,000
SMITH, T. P., Brooklyn 35,000
STEVENS, Mrs. A., Rye 5,000
TOPINKA, Eliz., Bronx 35,000
WARD, Miss M., New York 35,000
WIESNER, Leo M., Greece 35,000
ZEISER, Mrs. R. E., Albany 35,000

OHIO
BERWANGER, B., Cincinnati 35,000
BILES, C. W., Randolph 35,000
BOSSONG, M., Cincinnati 35,000
BRINKMAN, A., Toledo 35,000
CORMELY, Mrs. J., Kirby 35,000
DAVENPORT, F., Cleveland 35,000
DE PASIA, V., Warren 35,000
EMERINE, Wm., Alvada 35,000
FAHEY, D., Cleveland 35,000
FISHER, O., Dayton 5,000
FRANZ, M., Cleveland 35,000
GRACELY, Mrs. E. L., Marion 5,000
GAULY, Edw., Cleveland 5,000
GUILLOZET, P. J., Versailles 35,000
HOFFMAN, H., Columbus 35,000
HOGAN, Wm. H., Canton 35,000
KLOCKER, J. H., Cleveland 5,000
KREBS, Frank H., E. Cleveland 35,000
KROEGER, Edwin A., Delphos 5,000
LAWRENCE, P. A., Struthers 35,000
LEWEN, Mary, Toledo 35,000
NEVIN, S. N., Cincinnati 5,000
NOONE, Elizabeth, Toledo 35,000
NOWICKI, Sam F., Toledo 5,000
RICHARDS, Mrs. R., Akron 35,000
STANLEY, David, Garfield Heights 5,000
STEWECKEL, E. H., Cincinnati 5,000
STOCK, F., Hamilton 5,000
TORMA, Jos., Ashtabula 35,000
WHALEN, Jas., Massilon 35,000

PENNSYLVANIA
ANDERSON, R., Bradford 35,000
BOWES, T., Philadelphia 35,000
CLARK, R. E., Philadelphia 35,000
DOWDELL, Mrs. A., Munhall 5,000
HAUBRICH, Jos., Darby 35,000
KELLY, J. J., Philadelphia 5,000
LEHMAN, M. A., Philadelphia 5,000
LEIENDECKER, C. B., N. S. Pittsburgh 5,000
LONDUS, J., Philadelphia 5,000
REAVY, E. V., Philadelphia 5,000
ROHRER, I. L., Lancaster 5,000
ROMANO, A. P., Pittsburgh 5,000
ULSHAFER, G., Lansdowne 5,000

RHODE ISLAND
WARD, Mrs. P., Providence 35,000

TEXAS
NYTES, Mrs. J., Mission 35,000

WASHINGTON
PERRY, J., Spokane 5,000

WEST VIRGINIA
PAUL, F., Wheeling 35,000

WISCONSIN
ARNOLDS, Miss T., Jefferson 35,000
GRABLE, Mrs. J., Oshkosh 35,000
LICHTFUSS, Mrs. A., Janesville 35,000
MATENAER, J. J., W. Bend 35,000
MILLER, N., Lodi 5,000
NENNIG, Jos., Chilton 5,000
NEUSER, E., Manitowoc 35,000
RODERS, Mrs. M., Kenosha 35,000
SERBYN, Wm., Milwaukee 35,000
STIVARIUS, F. A., Fennimore 5,000
STRAETZ, N. G., Glidden 35,000

(NOTE.—If your name was sent in before January 17 and does not appear in the above list, please notify the contest director at once; also, please notify us of typographical or other errors.)

Aside from the 137 Listed Awards—cars, trips and cash, a Special Fund, estimated at $10,000 but not limited, is to be distributed to contestants in the form of SPOT CASH commissions, 15 per cent of all new subscription money turned in. (See Rule 11.) This arrangement assures compensation to all ACTIVE contestants and means there will be no losers in this race—everybody gets something.

For full information and supplies, write Campaign Director, SOCIAL JUSTICE, Royal Oak, Michigan.

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$50 EXTRA CASH

In order to start the ball rolling, the Social Justice Prize Campaign offers FIFTY DOLLARS ($50.00) EXTRA CASH in three special awards of $25, $15 and $10 to the three candidates for whom there is turned in the greatest totals of paid-in-advance NEW subscriptions up to midnight, January 31, 1939. The count is on NUMBER of subscriptions and not on totals of votes or of money turned in.

The postmark on the envelope must have a date not later than midnight of January 31.

Any qualified person may enter and compete for these extra prizes. And every dollar turned in under this offer will count also for the grand prize autos, trips and cash awards.

Trial subscriptions of $1 for four months are eligible under the offer (earning 3,000 votes) and these may be extended before the campaign ends. For example, a second payment of $2, making a full year's subscription, will earn 7,000 additional votes. START THIS VERY DAY!

137 PRIZES

READ THIS BIG PRIZE LIST!

Cadillac Fleetwood Sedan*	$2,998
Lincoln-Zephyr "V-12" Sedan	1,441
Packard "6" Sedan	1,137
Chrysler "6" Sedan	1,018
Plymouth "6" Sedan	824
Chevrolet "6" Sedan	762
Ford "V-8" Sedan	752
Two Overseas Tourist Trips ($400 each)	800
101 Grand Cash Prizes	2,250
27 Special Cash Prizes	1,000
Fund for Commissions, Estimated but Not Limited	10,000
GRAND TOTAL	$22,982

(*In place of an automobile, winner has the option of one or two tours overseas, according to value of prize won; or a cash option may be chosen.)

SCHEDULE OF VOTES

Subscriptions	Votes
6 Months ($1.50)	4,000
1 Year ($3.00)	10,000
2 Years ($6.00)	30,000

The above are regular votes and will obtain throughout the contest. A special club bonus of 100,000 EXTRA votes will be allowed on each $15 worth of subscriptions turned in. On each NEW subscription (of one year or longer) the following bonuses will also be allowed: 40,000 EXTRA votes up to the 27th of February; 30,000 EXTRA votes from February 28 up to the 13th of March; 25,000 EXTRA votes from March 14 to the 27th of March; and 20,000 EXTRA votes during the final period, ending April 3, 1939. Extra, or bonus votes are issued only after the end of the periods during which they are allowed.

NOMINATION BLANK

Good For 5,000 Votes

PLEASE ENTER:

Name _____

As a Candidate in SOCIAL JUSTICE Prize Campaign

Address _____

City _____ **Occupation** _____

Signed _____

Address _____

(You Can Nominate Yourself or Any Other Person)

This coupon will count for 5,000 extra votes when properly filled out and sent to the Campaign Director on or before the expiration date during which nominations will be accepted. Only one of these coupons will be credited to any candidate.

FIRST SUBSCRIPTION COUPON

Good For 20,000 Bonus Votes

Return this coupon to the Campaign Manager with your first subscription payment, either old or new, and you will receive 20,000 votes, in addition to the votes allowed on regular vote schedule.

Name of Subscriber _____

Address _____

City _____

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The Week in the News

Disputed Labor Laws Likely to be Changed

Leaders Press Congress for Wagner Revision

MAJOR revisions of the one-sided Wagner Labor Relations Act and the abused Social Security Act are expected during the current session of Congress as a result of developments last week, but chances for modification of the Wages and Hours Law, under fire of administration critics, are slight.

Both the American Federation of Labor and an overwhelming majority of the nation's employers have attacked the Wagner Law for its partiality to the Congress of Industrial Organizations. The C.I.O. and New Dealers, on the other hand, have staunchly defended the statute, which fails to recognize that the rights of employes also entail responsibilities.

With a view toward realizing those responsibilities Sen. Burton K. Wheeler of Montana was expected to introduce to Congress a bill consisting of nine amendments, sponsored by the A. F. L.

Foremost of the proposals, which the C.I.O. will fight bitterly, is a provision that would force the National Labor Relations Board to grant any class or craft of workers the right to select its own collective bargaining representatives by majority vote. The C.I.O. sees in this a serious threat to industrial form of unionization.

OUST 'PREJUDICED' MEMBERS

Only slightly less a threat is the second major demand which would curtail the board's power to invalidate existing contracts between employers and bona fide labor organizations. A.F.L. spokesmen have charged the Board has voided genuine contracts between employers and A.F.L. units.

Another proposal seeks to eliminate prejudiced, unfair Board trial examiners. It asks that examiners meet definite qualifications before they are allowed to preside over hearings, and that parties to a hearing be permitted to file affidavits of prejudice as is done in courts of law.

Roosevelt Would Broaden Social Security Act

THE Social Security Act, under which millions of American workers pay part of their earnings into a phantom unemployment and old-age pension fund, may be revised by the present Congress to include millions of additional contributors.

That was the hope last week of President Roosevelt as he submitted to Congress a report by the Social Security board, accompanied by a special message in which he asked for broad expansion of the Act. It was estimated in many quarters that approximately 16,425,000 persons would be added to the millions already making payments.

New Deal critics have assailed the Administration for diverting Social Security funds to other purposes and have charged that if the present "milking" policy continues the fund will be exhausted by the time benefit payments are due.

Among the groups now exempt who would be taxed under the proposed revision are: farm labor, domestic servants, employes of non-profit organizations, employes of banks in the Federal Reserve System, and seamen.

HALT WAGE-HOUR CHANGES

Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews opposes any immediate change in the Act on the ground it has not been in operation long enough to prove itself. He will submit a report to Congress this week.

Returning from a survey tour of the west, Andrews expressed confidence the law ultimately would be workable and satisfactory, despite the fact he had heard many complaints from employers about various phases of the Act, including over-time pay for high-salaried employes.

He said his staff and the Bureau of Labor Statistics were preparing a report on effects of the law on production, consumption, prices and employment. He will submit the findings to the President next month.

The recent W.P.A. report to the President showed 30,000 employes had been laid off in private industries between last Oct. 24 and Nov. 15. Most of them were in the pecan, tobacco, lumber, clothing and bagging industries in Texas, Georgia, North Carolina and Louisiana.

The Act guarantees workers in many industries a minimum hourly wage and a maximum work week, but fails to reach the core of the wage problem, namely, a guaranteed yearly income, on a living-standard basis.

HIGHWAY "HOMES" LIKE THIS ONE were set up by more than 1,500 Missouri sharecroppers who, threatened with eviction by their landlords, voluntarily left their homes to demonstrate against landlord-selfishness. Here this sharecropper watches over his children, huddled in blankets and ragged garments, as they sleep or nibble at a morsel of food. Reason for the threatened evictions: the landlords were unwilling to share government crop benefit payments with their tenants. (Acme)

LABOR

Red U. A. W. Board 'Suspends Martin'

HOMER Martin, fighting president of the United Automobile Workers Union, was forced to the last ditch in his battle to "take Communism out of unionism" early this week as 15 suspended members of the U.A.W. executive board sought to "impeach" him on charges he had "conspired" with the Ford Motor Company.

The "conspiracy" charges arose out of Martin's attempt to organize the vast Ford company, lone non-union holdout among the major motor manufacturers.

Police guarded the Detroit headquarters of the Union in the Griswold building as the 15 board members suspended by Martin sought to have the President excluded from the U.A.W. offices. The C.I.O. high command, meanwhile, prepared to bring down the axe upon Martin's neck.

Although Martin insisted stoutly there "was no issue with the C.I.O.," his followers felt differently about it. As local after local held a hurried meeting to vote confidence in Martin, pamphlets were distributed charging that "C.I.O. meddling" had brought on the dispute; that C.I.O.'s protection and support to Communist "union wreckers" in the Milwaukee convention of the U.A.W. in 1937 had engendered the Communist and anti-Communist row that has persisted since.

Speculation centered on the possibility of Martin's taking his group out of the C.I.O.—a serious blow to John L. Lewis and his union system which has suffered a defection of more than 600,000 members in the last three months. In the event he did, two courses would be open to him: he might affiliate with the American Federation of Labor, which first organized the auto workers, or he might go it independently, as David Dubinsky, President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, chose to do, upon leaving the C.I.O. in November.

The lawless, Communist element in the U.A.W., responsible for 345 unauthorized strikes in 1937-1938, constantly has disturbed orderly union processes. Contracts have been violated, union funds seized and a continuing attempt made to discredit the Martin faction, driving toward complete elimination of Communist influence in the 375,000-member union.

AGRICULTURE

'Revolution' Forecast After 'Cropper Uprising

The ragged, pitiful picture of the "sharecropper,"—that serf of the 20th century economic picture—moved into the news last week as landlords of Missouri farms sought to evict masses of tenant farmers from their homes.

Plight of the sharecroppers was dramatized by more than 1,500 of their number, who abandoned their homes and set up makeshift camps along more than 150 miles of Missouri highway. Their choice was like that of Hobson: they had either to leave their homes permanently, or agree to work at peon wages as day laborers.

While health authorities fumed over the danger of an epidemic of pneumonia or other disease among these outcasts living in the chill Missouri outdoors, one death occurred. A man believed to be a member of an evicted family was struck and killed by an automobile along his highway "home."

Those affluent enough to possess a rickety automobile threw blankets over its top and quickly converted it into a dwelling. Others piled bedding along fences and slept in the open air. Negro ministers attended their flocks who sang spirituals to bolster their faith.

State authorities sent officials to the camps to feed the 'croppers meals consisting mostly of fat pork, corn bread and coffee. Those dispossessed poke ruefully of the home they had left behind and the bitterness of their future outlook.

Reason for the mass evictions was the landlords refused to share government crop-reduction payments with the tenant farmers, a necessity under the benefit payment plan for reduced acreage.

No justification can be found for this action. Alarmingly, it reflects the eccentricity of the American economic wheel that throws hundreds of thousands out of work, denies the farmer a fair price for his goods, and denies man an opportunity to work out his destiny.

In the present instance, selfishness undoubtedly is to blame. The landlords should be subjected to the full measure of governmental action for their reprisals against these poorest of the poor.

Meanwhile in Washington another aspect of the picture loomed. Officials of the Farm Security Administration made it known that 500,000 migratory farm laborers were drifting about the country taking employment where they could find it.

One F.S.A. official said the problem had assumed such serious proportions that "an agricultural revolution" might develop unless an answer were found.

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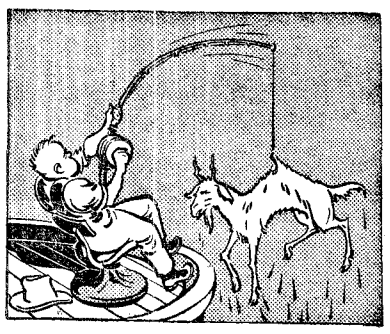

THE SPORT OF THE NATION

- POLITICAL FOOTBALL
- LOG ROLLING
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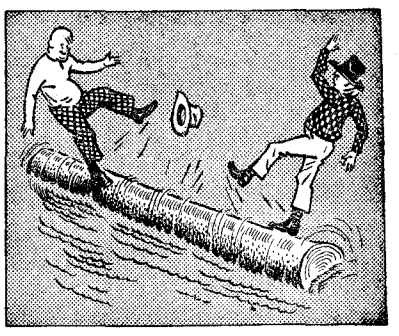

LOSE RUBBER STAMP IN CONGRESS!

As Gagster, F. D. R. Found Not So Hot

Irish Aroused By Wheeze About Fenians

NEW YORK, N. Y. — It may have been a witty barb to the Jackson Day Democrats at their $100-a-plate snack—that jest of President Roosevelt about the Fenian and the drum—but it was a slug on the chin to thousands of Irish descent here and elsewhere.

And they believe it should be treated in exactly the same manner.

The cause in which scores of thousands of Irish patriots have given their lives is no matter for idle humor, in the estimation of these McCormicks, Shaughnessys, and O'Raffertys. And they wonder that the President has never seen fit to burst into public laughter over the plight of the Jews under Hitler.

Make no mistake about it, the Irish are mad! Fighters that they are, the Irish clan is ready to spit on its collective palms, double its fists and start swinging.

As the *Irish Echo* commented: "For a long time we were led to suspect that the President of the United States was ignorant of the existence of Ireland. Certainly this much is true, that even though he may have been aware that there is a place of that name, that it does constitute an actual geographical entity, he never before betrayed by any sign that he knew the facts of the situation there.

A SAD TALE

(St. Louis Star Times)

AN UNNATURAL STRUGGLE

"It seems, though, that we were all wrong. Mr. Roosevelt not only knows the situation, but makes jokes about it. The fact that it may not be a joke, but a very serious matter, to millions of the members of that nation of which he is the chief executive, apparently means nothing to him . . . This is only the Irish, a very funny people to Mr. Roosevelt. Let a hand be lifted toward any one else in the world, and our President clucks his tongue sadly, and says it had better stop. But Ireland can be partitioned, and its people victimized, and Mr. Roosevelt greets the situation with a funny story and a hollow laugh . . . "

The *Echo* points out that the struggle is an unnatural one in Ireland. The strife between the Orangemen of the North and the Free Staters of the South is one in which dissension is fostered by British interests anxious to divide and rule. This oppression, it continues, is comparable to that of other nations where the President has intervened, at least with words if not with deeds.

As a comedian, you may conclude, Mr. Roosevelt is about as effective as a "straight" man without a stooge, or vice-versa.

Blast of Independence Shatters Listeners' Ears

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Those with an "ear to the ground" in the national capitol almost lost their hearing last week as the 76th Congress roared into gear.

There had been intimations that the New Congress would have a somewhat greater independence than its immediate predecessors. The listeners and observers had it "on good authority" that the temperament of the lawmakers had "changed somewhat."

Their predictions were verified in a blast of Congressional independence that would make New York's Fourth of July celebration look like the sparkflick of a cigaret lighter.

First question asked by amazed gallery-ites, as the House line and the Senate backfield threw the New Deal for a loss was: "Who swiped the rubber stamp?"

SLUG NEW DEAL GROGGY

First the New Deal catalyzers walked into the House with the President's demand for $875,000,000—mere pocket-change in the New Deal system of astronomical spending—to sober up the W. P. A. and keep it on the shovel until July 1.

The New Dealers weathered the first round, but were slugged groggy along in the second and third jousts and finally settled for a technical knockout that gave them the short end of a Congressional purse—$725,000,000. And, standing over its foe, a clot of rebellious Congressmen threatened: "'If you haven't had enough, we've got a lot more for you—we'd love to shrink that $725,000,000 down to $500,000,000."

In flailing away at Mr. Roosevelt's relief recommendations, the House

Frankly, it didn't like the record delivered several damaging body blows in the form of a nullification of civil service provisions of W.P.A., and a general restriction of W.P.A. activities.

SHADES OF HUGO BLACK

On national defense, the Congress indicated a desire to be sensibly conciliatory. Refusing to be sheep-herded into hysteria, the Senators and Representatives individually indicated their desire to sound out the problem of adequate defense, and then find the answer to the problem. But the fighters among both the Senate and House membership announced publicly there would be no countenancing a New Deal "war scare" to distract attention from pressing domestic needs.

The President sent to the Senate his nominations for various government jobs that have opened up since the last Congress. Although the Senate finally assented to the nominations, it did so only after it had conducted a two-fisted inquiry into the background of the men involved. It wished specifically to avoid the bad odor that arose shortly after Justice Hugo Black, late of the Ku Klux Klan, took over on the high bench in the marble hall.

Frankly, it didn't like the record made by Mr. Hopkins on his W. P. A. job, and said so. It wanted to know all about this "tax, tax; spend, spend; elect, elect" business. And the famed Felix Frankfurter, who has acted as a one-man New Deal employment agency, groveled before the committee to assure it his past was behind him and his future ahead.

Meanwhile Tom Corcoran, one of Felix's celebrated "Hot Dogs," dusted off his accordion and sang a duet with his partner, Mr. Benjamin Cohen: "Where, O Where has my Rubber Stamp Gone?"

The 'COMMIE' Strip • • • Funny Doings of Funny Reds

BEING a new venture on this page, the "Commie" strip will endeavor to present all that is funny in the Communist movement, just as the "Comic" strip of the daily newspapers presents all that is funny to the eye of the cartoonist.

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If anything is funnier than the thinking of a Communist, it is the fact that there are a sufficient number of persons with a gnawed sense of humor to accept the Red pattern of government.

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In South-Central states the "Commies" cooked up a clever scheme to be-devil Congress into lifting the embargo on Spain, as the first step toward pitching the United States into a war to make the world safe for the Commies.

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They hired an office staff of zealous party-workers to thumb through the city directory and forge the names of respectable citizens to mimeographed post cards demanding the embargo be pried loose for the benefit of the Spanish Communists.

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It is unlikely many Congressmen were impressed by this wholesale, forged mail. It was too crudely done to be a good shot of propaganda. The cards were poorly mimeographed, and too fantastic to be believed. A Congressman with even ordinary intelligence would smell a Commie plot three Washington blocks away—and that's some distance!

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FROM Moscow comes word that the Soviet slave-drivers are approaching a new high in morality. Emelyan Yaroslavsky, head of the "Militant Godless League," advises children to obey their parents, "under certain conditions."

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But this obedience is to be given only "if the parents advise you to do something useful." Otherwise, no soap. The great advantage of this system is that it gives the child the option of deciding what is "useful." Proving that the child "is father to the man."

But as a horrific afterthought, he pleads with the children to be watchful just in case their parents might be "counter-revolutionary." And by all means, beware of "religious" parents, he adds.

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THE Soviet's "Bezbosniks" (no joke intended; that's really what they call themselves) are determined to scourge the world of that greatest of evils, the Catholic Church. The Beezies are nothing else than atheists, and that's the Russian word for it. They are attempting to convert the entire world to atheism and woo it away from religion—principally the Catholic Church because it's "FASCIST"! (to be said with a hissing sneer.)

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The Week in the World

SPAIN

The Fallacy of Non-Recognition

THE untenable position of the United States Government in refusing to recognize General Franco's insurgent government, along with Soviet Russia and France, was graphically illustrated by two recent letters in the *Weekly Review* of London.

One was written by Her Grace, Katherine Atholl, the notorious Leftist, who was recently defeated for Parliament because she stood for war and had cast aspersions on Chamberlain's peace policy. The English people did not want war *and do not want war now*.

The other letter was written by the international legal expert, John J. Campbell, who challenged the "Red Duchess" to face the historic facts and answer him through a public letter in the press.

The Duchess said in part:

"I am not accustomed to accept challenges such as Mr. Campbell suggests.

"I would, however, quote an authoritative statement on the subject, by Professor J. L. Brierly, D.C.L., Professor of International Law at Oxford University, in which he states:

" 'Of the three conditions on which States which recognize insurgents as belligerents normally act, as laid down for instance in *Oppenheim's International Law,* namely, that the insurgents

" '(1) are in possession of a certain part of the territory of the legitimate government,

" '(2) have set up a government of their own, and

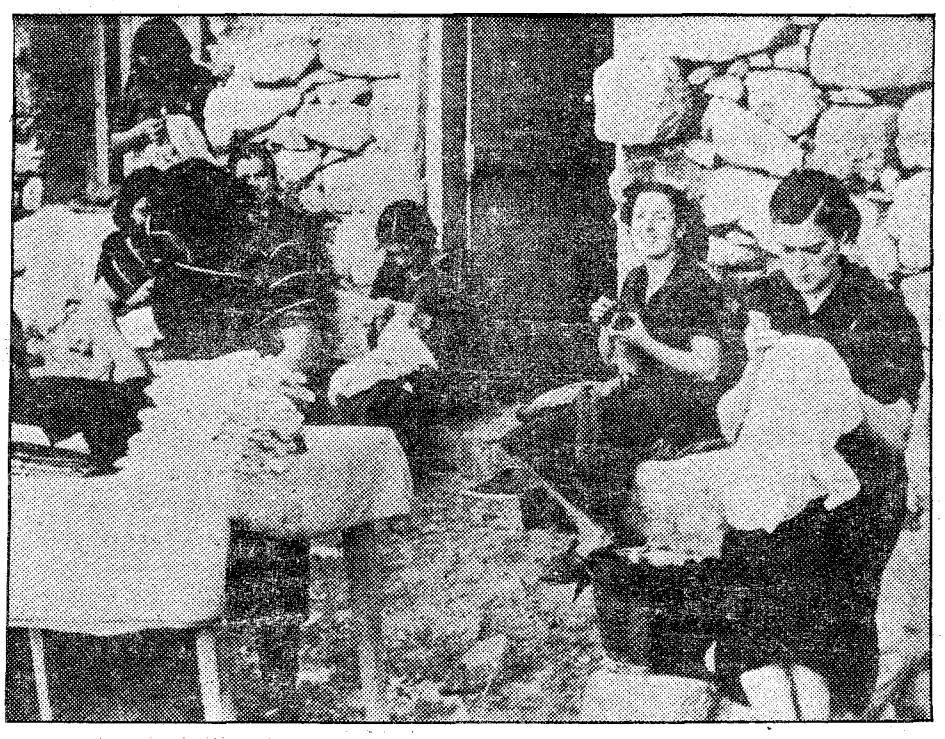
" '(3) conduct their armed contention according to the laws and usages of war!

" 'It may be admitted that General Franco fulfills the first two; he does not fulfill the third."

Mr. Campbell says:

"In her letter the Duchess of Atholl quotes the three conditions on which it is a customary rule of the Law of Nations that any State may recognize insurgents as a belligerent power.

"The conclusion drawn by Her Grace that General Franco has forfeited his right to recognition as a belligerent 'is based on a fallacy.' The professor's statement that 'Belligerent rights do not include a right to sink ships at sea without previously ensuring the safety of those on board' is correct. But if belligerent rights do not exist—what then? Further, why has it been necessary to sink ships? The answer is that, by well-established principles of international law, the task of preventing supplies of munitions and all forms of contraband from reaching their respective enemies by sea is imposed by the two contending parties. In the Spanish civil war, a Non-Intervention Agreement was attempted, by which neutral powers took it upon themselves to do what the Spanish combatants would ordinarily have undertaken, i.e., the prevention of delivery of external supplies by land. At the same time, the normal rights of intercepting supplies which came by sea were denied to the Nationalists who would, by rule of law, have been entitled to intercept and seize ships carrying supplies. It is to be noted that foreign merchants carrying on such trade do so entirely at their own risk and cannot appeal to their governments for protection against seizure.



BEHIND THE FRONT IN NATIONALIST SPAIN. Youth of the Spanish Falange works behind the lines to aid General Franco's National troops. In groups they move behind the battle lines, nursing the wounded and performing other aids. A group of girls are here shown repairing and ironing the soldiers' laundry. (Acme newsphoto)

"The upshot of this grotesque travesty of the rule of law was that instead of being captured at sea and brought before prize courts, ships bound for Spanish ports were frequently bombed on arrival, with resultant loss of life.

"Had the ordinary laws of sea warfare been recognized, bloodshed could have been avoided and the responsibility for this lies, not on Franco, but on those States which have refused to recognize the Law of Nations. (Russia, United States and France.) The attempt to alter established practice has resulted in chaos *which would not have existed* had the code of law established by wisdom and experience been allowed to operate. *Those who would deprive Franco of belligerent rights attempt to explain the chaos by blaming him.* It is clear that he had had *no say* in this departure from established practice and his subsequent activities in cutting off supplies of munitions and contraband had of necessity to conform to the changed conditions in which the Spanish struggle was to be fought out.

"How can it be said that Franco is in flagrant breach of the principles of international law when foreign governments (Russia, United States and France) have in effect said to him: *'These principles do not apply in your case and, further, there is now no Code of Law which gives you any rights'.*"

The same group has forced Franco to adopt the methods he has because he refused to join in their nefarious plans for the formation of an athiestical Spanish tyranny modelled after Russia although this same group, who boast control of 90 per cent of the press, have refused to inform the American people of these facts.

RUSSIA

Kaganovich Clan Wields Power

EVIDENCE continues to mount regarding the predominance of powerful Jewish influence in Russia. The hysteria of denials coming from "self-appointed spokesmen" do not dissolve facts.

Again Donald Day of the *Chicago Tribune,* writing from Riga, Lativa (January 15) says:

"There is much talk in Russia about the seeming immunity of the all-powerful Kaganovich family (Jewish) from the reign of terror of the last two years. The Kaganovich family are at present occupying the following positions in Russia:

"Lazar is the right hand man of Stalin. He is a member of the Political Bureau, National Commissar of Communications (Press) and roads, National Commissar of Heavy Industries, Deputy to the Supreme Council of the U.S.S.R. and the R.S.F.S.R., and the Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. His sister, or according to other sources, his daughter, is either the wife or mistress of Dictator Stalin. Two of his sisters occupy high key posts in Moscow.

"Machail is National Commissar of the Defense Industry — the Bernard Baruch of Russia; he is a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and Deputy of the Supreme Council.

"Julius is Secretary of the Communist Party in the Gorki District.

"Andrie, Director of the State Trade Organization in the Kiev District.

"Baruch M. heads the industry supplying uniforms to the Red Army.

"Sergie M. is Chief of the Textile Trust, one of the largest.

"Marie K. is President of the Trade Union of Knitted Goods Industry.

"None of the Kaganovichs has been either named or involved in the last two years of terror.

"This fact has caused rumors to spread that Lazar K. Kaganovich may succeed Stalin as the Red Czar of the Moscow Kremlin."

ENGLAND

A Dirty Kettle Calls Pot Black

GREAT BRITAIN has sent a stern note to Japan rejecting any change in the status of China brought about by force.

Part of the note declared:

"His Majesty's government is at a loss to understand how Prince Konoe's (former Japanese Premier) assurance that Japan seeks no territory and respects the sovereignty of China can be reconciled with the declared intention of the Japanese government to compel the Chinese people by force of arms to accept conditions involving surrender of their political, economic and cultural life to Japanese control, indefinite maintenance in China of considerable Japanese garrisons, and virtual detachment from China of territory of Inner Mongolia.

"For their part, His Majesty's government desires to make it clear that they are not prepared to accept or to recognize changes of the nature indicated which are brought about by force.

"They intend to adhere to the principles of the Nine-Power Treaty and cannot agree to unilateral modification of its terms."

In the Nine-Power Pact of 1922, China, Japan, the United States, Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Portugal and the Netherlands pledged respect for China's territorial integrity and maintenance of the open door for trade.

There was no protest from Great Britain to amount to much in 1931-32 when Japan took over Manchukuo and there probably would be no protest today only that Japan's economic slogan of "Asia for the Asiatics," has thrown delirious tremors into the bankers who have investments in China, and the Far East.

Moreover, the pitiless example of Great Britain in acquiring India, Ceylon, the British Malays, Hong Kong, South Africa, West Africa, Canada, the British Honduras, the West Indies, Australia, Oceania, and other "possessions on which the sun never sets," by force, and holding them by force, puts the British Empire in an embarrassing position to preach morals by means of diplomatic notes to Japan.

Instead of the international bankers quibbling over the new order in the Far East and putting pressure on their respective governments to send stiff notes, they should appreciate the fact that even if Japan succeeds in their present plans of conquest, she cannot supply China's needs and they should know that a prosperous China is essential to Japan. Their highly paid economists must be slipping!

Moreover, bankers and diplomats should muse on the fact that the instrumentality that has stopped the penetration of Communism in China and in the Far East generally is "a long wall built up of the breasts of Japanese soldiers." But for them, the bankers would have no investments because Communism doesn't practice nor tolerate their profit system.

It looks as though, after all the notes are written, the Western powers will need to come to terms with Japan, if they want business and profits.

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A Limit To Partyism

CONGRESS has been in session for three weeks.

The United States numbers its totally unemployed at 12½ million and its W.P.A. employes at 3 million.

With only 10 per cent of our American people owning their own homes, the H.O.L.C. has authorized 140,000 foreclosures, for which 90,000 titles have already been taken over.

The farmer still finds himself working for less than the cost of production. The budget is still unbalanced with the President even now anticipating a $3-billion deficit for 1939. The railroads, which have become more or less of a Government problem since the I.C.C. began directing operations, are still in bankruptcy. Propagandists from within and without are lobbying to align us militaristically and politically with one or another of the "istic" nations of Europe. Plutocratic, proletarian and political "isms" batter away at the very Constitution which insures our democracy.

Poverty, unemployment, hunger—labor, farm and economic insecurity are some of the problems which must be solved. Yet what do we find our duly elected Congress talking about? What engages their attention in this time of all sorts of crises? Let us glance through the Congressional Record for the last few weeks:

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In a satirical dissertation on economy, the Republican gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. Knutson) literally lambasts the New Deal policy of serving gold plated dinners to honor the memory of old Andrew Jackson.

But the Jackson Day dinner at $100 a plate, responds the Democratic gentleman from California (Mr. Voorhis), even if it violated the Corrupt Practices act, is a way of raising money for the very wonderful Democratic party, far more honorable, and far preferable to ways to which the opposition party sometimes resorts.

The gentleman from Pennsylvania interrupts periodically with a budgetary message on the state of the nation to which everybody listens as if it were the necessary evil of the day.

But soon they are back to the old discussion again.

In dulcet tones the Republican gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. Schafer) reminds the House that when Franklin Roosevelt was New York's governor, he bankrupted the Empire State despite all its wealth and sources of taxation.

But wait, interrupts the Democrat from New York (Mr. Sirovich). Has Congress forgotten the beating the veterans took when Mr. Herbert Hoover was President? And unemployment! Why, the Republicans can never live down that Hoover record.

Not even the interruption of New York Communism's gift to Congress (Mr. Marcantonio) to insert a cheer for the release of Tom Mooney, can long deter these political hurlers of invective.

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IT is a tactical error for an elected representative of the people to regard as his constituents, *only those persons in his district who voted for him.* It is the error which impelled the New Deal to ignore more than 18 million voters in interpreting its "mandate" of 1936. Unfortunately, it is an error into which some of our newly elected Republicans have also fallen.

The fact that he comes from a district where the majority of voters would sooner shoot a Democrat than vote against him does not obligate a Congressman to devote his career in Washington to castigating Republicans; any more than a Republican victory in the home state is the "go" sign for Democratic mud-slinging in Congress.

Of course it is true that Mr. Roosevelt failed to balance the state budget when he was New York governor. He has not learned how to balance a budget yet.

And certainly it is true that Mr. Hoover did not treat the World War veterans like the national heroes that they were and are.

. . . All of which should prove that there is enough bad in the best of us to keep both parties working overtime on their humility.

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Abraham Lincoln once said in true democratic fashion: "The principles of Jefferson are the definitions and axioms of a free society."

And a more Republican statement is yet to be uttered than that of Thomas Jefferson:

"Government should restrain men from injuring one another but should leave them otherwise free to follow their own pursuit of industry and employment."

If America's greatest Democrat could also qualify as a good Republican — and our greatest Republican could pass in the daylight for a genuine Democrat—what is there to prevent lesser Democrats and Republicans from seeing eye to eye, at least on the critical needs of a deteriorating nation?

The United States is a democratic republic. A good Democrat must also be a true Republican. A sincere Republican must also be a good Democrat. And both must rise above the silly, campaign-made party lines—to the statesmanship so necessary to insure American democracy a tomorrow.

The problems in Congress today are too big to be considered from the cock-eyed viewpoint of a political puddin'head. America has too much at stake for her legislators to embark upon a name-calling junket.

To Representative Robert G. Allen of Pennsylvania, this writer offers the week's silver-plated halo, and sincere agreement for the half-minute political speech delivered the other day to his Congressional colleagues:

"Mr. Speaker," said the Congressman. "For the past four years a hue and cry has been raised in this nation about restoring the independence of Congress. Much favorable comment has appeared in recent days about the renewed leadership apparent in Congress. All I have to say is that if the last half hour is an example of the way we have assumed that leadership God save the nation. This petty bickering and these cheap invectives on the floor, with the nation in the trouble it is today must be stopped. I hope from now on that when members rise and ask consent to address the House, it will be for the purpose of saying something constructive, something which will solve our basic problems. What we have just heard is nothing. Valuable time has been wasted. Let us get down to business." (Applause).

Republicans Have a Duty

By HON. USHER L. BURDICK

Representative from North Dakota

THIS advice will be about as welcome on the Republican side of the House as a Sears, Roebuck catalog in a country general store. But I do not interpret the November elections as a swing back to reaction; it is rather a protest against the mistakes of the New Deal.

In our present circumstances, with a public debt of $38-billion all drawing interest at an average rate of 2.58 per cent, and with 13 million out of employment and further relief appropriations necessary to prevent starvation and suffering; with private business as now operated, admitting that if all restrictions were withdrawn by Congress and private business were left free to operate uncontrolled, as it was in 1929, that not more than three million of the 13 million could be employed—we must conclude that the country is not returning to any reactionary view, where all new trials and programs must be abandoned and let the country sink or swim according to the caprice of the business interests of the nation.

Under this state of facts the Republican party can gain nothing but will lose much to criticize the President and the administration for at least making an honest attempt to solve the nation's difficulties.

Whatever has been good about the administration, let us admit it; and in the place of too much criticism, let us offer a program that will do more for the people in distress than anything that has as yet been offered by the President or the administration.

Should it be necessary to adopt any features of the New Deal, let us do that and at the same time eliminate the objections that experience has proven and which in many cases were plain and obvious.

I am not speaking as an authorized representative of the Republican party in Congress, but I am expressing my own sentiments as a member of that party. *It is not at all necessary that all Republicans think as I do, but it is at least necessary that they think.*

In my judgment the Republican party has been as dumb as the Democratic party on the money question for 75 years. The interest system is fast breaking the people in the United States and the Government itself.

This system must be stopped, and Congress can lead the way at this session by passing first, a House resolution which reasserts the control over the nation's money and credit by the Congress as provided by the Constitution.

Secondly, insert in every appropriation act that no bonds shall be issued to finance the appropriation, but insist that Treasury notes be issued instead of bonds. By so doing we can stop the interest loot on Government bonds which amounts to $11½-billion annually.

Today when we have money in our pocket, whether we save it or spend it, we must pay interest on it. Bury it in the ground to secure it for old age, and the interest goes right on. The reason is that it was issued in the first place on the basis of an interest-bearing debt, while it should have been issued as an obligation of the Government backed by the resources of the nation.

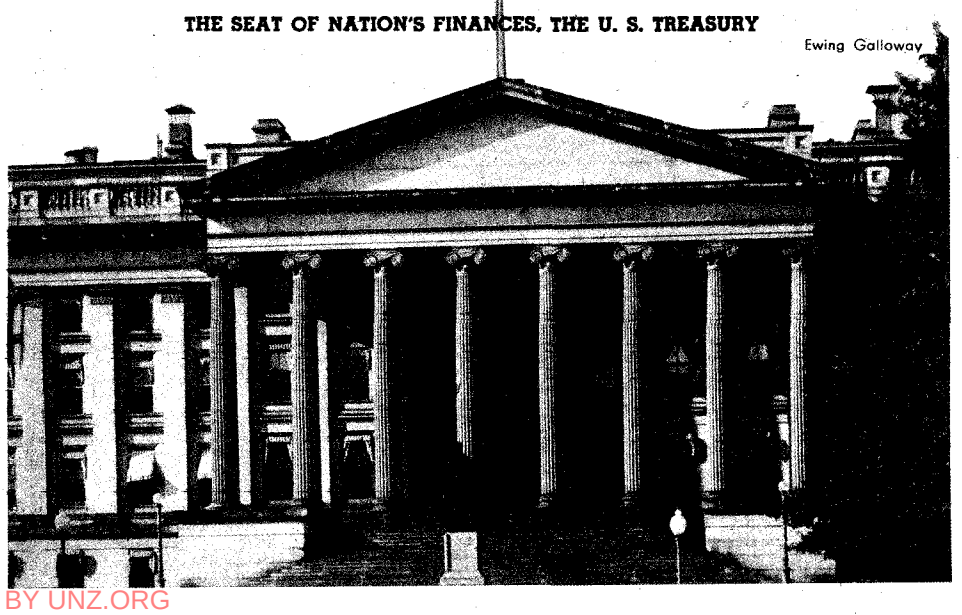
Why is the Government's name on a bond good, and the Government's name on a money bill not good? Money never should be issued on the basis of a debt, but on the basis of an asset.

After having secured control again over the money and credit of this nation, the Congress should next see to it by law that the money in circulation actually circulates. Money in the banks is of no use to the people of the country, except that portion of it necessary for reserves.

As one member of the party, I hope to see the Republicans make a stand on this question now, so that there can be no question about the matter before the people of this country.

THE SEAT OF NATION'S FINANCES, THE U. S. TREASURY

Ewing Galloway



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IF CHRIST WERE HERE

To the Editor:

I sometimes wonder if the many readers of Social Justice get a clear meaning of Communist and Communism—terms which so often appear in this National Weekly. I am afraid too many readers have the idea that your publication is a partisan organ, pitting one group of people against another. Communism is partisan, and it is of such nature that it can thrive only where Christianity fails to do its duty.

If Christ were here today, seeing this powerful Christian organization covering the whole nation, seeing necessities and luxuries in superabundance, and seeing—I am ashamed to say—jails and asylums filled to overflowing; theft, murder and suicide upon every hand—if Christ were here in person, I am sure He would bow His sacred head in sorrow. His first exclamation would be: "Why are my people so divided?" His first command would be: "Ministers, priests, and rabbis, harm no one; accuse no one, but unite my people into one fold. Tell all my people the direct cause of all this misery and strife is a dishonest and unChristian monetary system which must be changed at once!"

I am sure Christ would say: "When you leaders together with your flocks succeed in changing from a dishonest to an honest money, you will have brought My kingdom to My people." Then there will be no fear of Communism or any other isms. Godspeed the day when all Christian leaders realize it is their sacred duty to unite with Father Coughlin and help change from a dishonest to an honest money system.

—J. V. Whitehair.

Yakima, Washington

WOULD CORRECT BAD IMPRESSION

To the Editor:

Please accept my apologies if I dare to write in a language which is foreign to me. My reason for doing so is that I feel I should not keep silent after reading a statement made some time ago by Mr. H. C. Sanderson in one of your back issues. (Oct. 31). He said: " . . . if there is any credence to be placed in history, the Spanish race has always practised cruelty, nor has religion ever been a bar to this practice."

Such an offensive statement deserves a few remarks which I offer to Mr. Sanderson.

Credence is to be placed in history, certainly; but *there are historians who very often do not deserve it.*

It is against good logic to make bold and absolute statements, like Mr. Sanderson's, involving one whole race or people to whom history attributes some other qualities that are in open contradiction with cruelty.

Mr. Sanderson will certainly admit that there are and have been millions of Spaniards who have never practised cruelty and, therefore, that the alleged possible cruelty (we are no angels) must be ascribed to particular members of that race, just as the cruelties he admits being committed in his own country cannot be ascribed to the whole Saxon race.

To state also, as Mr. Sanderson does, that religion has "never" been a bar to the practice of cruelty, is to confess a thorough ignorance of the process of the European and Hibernian civilization.

I understand that Mr. Sanderson's

purpose in writing his letter to Social Justice was not exactly to deal with the Spanish cruelty and that his statement was rather incidental; still it was made with the evident idea of averting the attention of the readers from the actual Spanish conflict by putting both "reds" and "whites" on the same ground, with cruelty ascribed to both sides, and so despicably reducing the conflict to a private Spanish affair. Mr. Sanderson comes too late, for truth has found its way to the American shores and every good American is given the opportunity to know, if he wants to.

—Rev. B. Romero, C.M.

San Juan, Puerto Rico

NEVER PIONEERED A SETTLEMENT

To the Editor:

If the Jew has nothing to fear, why is he using his influence and ability to control the radio and deny to the American public the opportunity to obtain information that may be invaluable in framing the future policies of this Government?

It would seem to me that President Roosevelt shouts with the strongest crowd; and by "strongest" I mean the Jew-financialist crowd. He has certainly taken an attitude which would redound to his credit had he shown the same concern for the Christians of Russia, Spain and Mexico. He may think that the Jews of Germany are his special concern, but the bulk of the American people are very far from agreeing with him that this nation should saddle unto itself an additional burden to the ten million unemployed already here.

It is a puzzle to me that during the centuries from the time of Exodus to the present day, the Jew had never established a colony or pioneered a virgin territory as the peoples of Christian countries have done in all ages. When the Jew ceases to be a parasite, he will cease to be hated.

Denying Father Coughlin a hearing will react against the money changers here sooner or later.

—A. L.

Gary, Ind.

A FAST DISAPPEARING RIGHT

To the Editor:

The dissertation in Curbstone Editorials in Social Justice of January 2nd by Alban J. Ryder in the matter of unhampered Catholic religious practices in Nazi Germany gives in its entirety a glowing picture of the freedom of the Catholic Church in Germany. Judging by actual conditions in that country, according to reports of all reliable Catholic sources in America, and also the statement of the Pope, it is a misrepresentation of facts and not only a distortion of truth of minor import, but a perversion of a catastrophal reality.

The fact of mass attendance by the Catholic millions of Germany is a heroic demonstration not as a result of freedom of worship, but to preserve that freedom in the face of an insidious persecution, from the existence of which your contributor evidently remains innocently oblivious.

—F. W. Kehl.

Strykersville, N. Y.

NOT ONE FACT TOUCHED!

To the Editor:

Is it not remarkable that in the present controversy—which was caused not by Father Coughlin, but by Jewish leaders themselves—that not one Jew, rabbi or layman, has been successful in disproving any of Father Coughlin's charges? Truth cannot be defeated by the calling of names such as anti-Semite, Nazi or Fascist.

Father Coughlin has appealed to religious Christians to unite with religious Jews to combat Naziism and to stand side by side to end Jewish persecution in Germany. The Jewish people can find no fault with that appeal. On the contrary, all Jews owe Father Coughlin a vote of thanks in the matter.

As a fairly intelligent Christian layman, I am beginning to wonder—to wonder whether the general belief among Christians that the Jewish people are not anti-Christian is not an erroneous one. We Christians have never believed the Jews to be anti-Christian yet the united silence on the part of the Jewish rabbis, is making us wonder if we were not wrong in our belief.

—T. J. McCarthy.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

AVOIDING THE REAL ISSUE

To the Editor:

No leading Jewish voice has ever condemned Communism. To the contrary, they condemn the thing that stopped Communism from subjugating all Europe. These Jewish critics of the Christians who are uncovering Communism for what it is, have cast the die, and must abide the consequences.

Some months ago a leading midwest daily carried an account of Einstein's Communist activities in Europe before he was forced to migrate. The news travelled quickly, and in short time he was interviewed and all, of course, was denied—a typical Communist trick. A short time after, however, he let the cat out of the bag, by signing his name to a petition that went to the White House urging the lifting of the embargo on Loyalist Spain. Why was Mr. Einstein so interested in the Spanish Reds?

The Jewish people scream persecution around the world, but only when their own people are "persecuted." They are stunned at what has happened to them in Germany and Austria—and they send their people to Palestine to do worse things to the Arabs.

They sit idly by and watch the terrible slaughter of Christians in Russia, Spain and Mexico, and never a word. They have established an all-Jewish State in the U.S.S.R. Of course that is Communism and it receives the active support of leading Jewish groups throughout the world. Will they deny this? *Of course,* after the treatment given to Father Coughlin.

Anyone who even scratches the surface of Communism knows that without Jewish financial and moral support, the whole Communist movement would collapse like a house of cards.

The Jew is not to blame for this—*his leaders are.* Like Christians, the Jew believes what his leaders teach him. Let Gentiles examine the Talmud as I have done these last few weeks, and they will never again be the same.

These people have no New Testament as their guide and they do not know what is in store for them. As all Bible prophecies have come true, why doubt what is to come?

The final judgment is not far distant. We, as Christians, can point the way—but nothing further. America will never succumb to Communism for any length of time and when the test comes, those guilty will be brought to judgment.

—Non-Catholic Christian.

Chicago, Ill.

THE FARMER SUFFERS MOST

To the Editor:

American labor is not the American group which has suffered most from "New Deal" mismanagement. American agriculture has been literally destroyed through the deliberate and traitorous "bear raids" on our farm commodity prices, which prices are now being maintained at the lowest possible level, in spite of wars and our own short crops.

In May of 1937 our "farm dollar" was nearly back to normal. Business all over the nation was good. Our markets were absorbing our commodities as fast as those commodities were made available, and our demand for labor bid fair to soon reach the supply limit.

No prosperous country has ever in history accepted a dictatorship.

Our prosperous farm conditions had to be destroyed, if the Wallace agricultural dictatorship, the first step toward a complete national dictatorship, was to be perfected before 1940.

Our farmers, who constitute one-third of our nation's population, had less than nine per cent of our national income for 1937. Farm prosperity has been destroyed. Today the first step is accomplished.

—S. Fred Cummings,
Grundy County Farmer.

Mason, Ill.

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COMMENTS *from the* AUDIENCE

Listeners to Father Coughlin's Sunday Radio Broadcasts Have Written by the Thousands to Express Their Views — A Representative Selection of their Comments Is Reproduced Here.

I HAVE listened to your last three broadcasts attentively and I want you to know that I am in hearty sympathy with what you are doing; I believe that you are on the right track and that you should be patted on the back for doing a good job of adult education.

I am familiar with European conditions, having traveled extensively over there, with the trips so spaced that I have seen conditions develop over the past 20 years. I have been intensely worried about this formula which all nations have been traveling, including ourselves.

You are attacking the problem from the proper point of view. You show the proper knowledge and you are certainly presenting it in a clear-cut and fair method — J. M., New York City.

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Despite the fact that Germany deliberately is not seeking war with any western power, our newspapers—by constant irritation—are tending more and more to drive us into trouble with her—needless trouble, since it is mainly an internal matter.

That it is not solely one of humanitarianism is shown by the fact that no one seems to be aroused deeply over the far greater misery caused the Chinese, the poverty of the southern Irish, or even unsatisfactory conditions in our own country.—C. I. KEPHART, Washington, D. C.

NEW LISTENER RESENTS RADIO BAN

I have only recently been one of your listeners, but I find what you are saying intensely interesting and convincing; and I resent any attempt at refusing you, or any other responsible critic and commentator, the privilege of speaking over the air.

I am a Unitarian, and cannot therefore be accused of religious partisanship in connection with a program conducted by a clergyman of your church. I am convinced the time has come when outspoken efforts must be made to combat the lack of spiritual emphasis in our national life.

I welcome such attempts no matter from whence they come, but especially from those individuals who, like yourself, are specially equipped to do this important work. — E. KULKOP, Cambridge, Mass.

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I am a Baptist and a Gentile, yet to the Jews we are very much indebted through the Abrahamic covenant.

I liked your new found, old facts. I am glad that you stop for truth—R. D. LAIL, Carriers Mills, Ill.

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You are to be recommended for your courage, fortitude, keen mental ability, and your eloquence in bringing to the consciousness of our people, the true conditions which they are facing.—E. W. HESS, Kansas City, Mo.

LETTERS TO WHAM AVERAGE 4 TO 1!

STATION WHAM has received almost two thousand individual letters and postal cards, and many petitions, one of which had about 900 signers. The people are four to one that you be retained on the air—FREDERICK C. YOUNG, Rochester, N. Y.

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December 21, 1938

Rev. Charles E. Coughlin,
Royal Oaks, Mich.

Dear Father Coughlin:-

New York Chapter Knights of Columbus extends to you its heartiest congratulations upon your timely discussion of the Jewish and Christian persecutions.

You have focused national attention upon the fact that those who control the avenues of publicity are not as seriously aroused by all persecutions as they are by those against the unfortunate Jewish people.

Your inspiring utterances exposing the menace of communism have thrown much light on these subversive activities and we are sure that your legion of radio listeners have received a true picture of these forces which seek to overthrow our form of government and all that we as Catholics and American hold sacred.

This letter was authorized by the unanimous vote of the delegates present at the December meeting of the New York Chapter representing the forty individual councils of Manhattan and Bronx, with a total membership of 15,000 members of the Knights of Columbus.

With our best wishes for your continued success in the important work of bringing your Christian message to radio listeners everywhere,

Respectfully yours,
NEW YORK CHAPTER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Thos. J. Scanlon
Thomas J. Scanlon, Chairman
Catholic Interest Committee.

We all back you up in all your discourses over the air, and congratulate you on the splendid work you are doing. We all wrote to station WHAM here to keep you on the air.

As for those who would not keep you on their radio stations because you are telling the truth about them and the truth hurts, there is nothing lost. It only shows them up and naturally they cannot be expected to want to hear it.—M. OSTS, Rochester, New York.

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Very recently most of the commentators on the radio and the columnists in the newspapers are including Communism in their attacks on foreign "isms." I think that this is due to your untiring efforts to impress upon the people of the United States that Communism is just as dangerous to our American democracy as Nazi-Fascism is. We as patriotic Americans, appreciate your efforts in our behalf.—J. SCHWAB, Rochester N. Y.

TIME FOR A NEW CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

Eight centuries ago, the population of middle Europe took up the trek to the East to recover the Holy Land and they succeeded. A crusade is just as much in order now. Just as much is at stake. We need to recover God's bounteous lands for the benefit of his people, and I for one, am ready and anxious to get on the way.—J. A. WEIS, Columbus, Ohio.

It is difficult for me to realize how men accredited with brains can so mistrue the spoken and written word. Your distinctions are clear and often enough repeated. Perhaps you can tell me the reason.—J. A. KENNY, Detroit, Mich.

JEWISH YOUTH HATES COMMUNISM

I am a young man of 16 years old. Although I am Jewish, I am proud to say that my great-grandfather is buried in this country.

Like most of the people that I know, Jew or Gentile, I am 100 per cent anti-Communist, anti-Fascist and anti-Nazi. It is true, perhaps, that many Jews are Communists, but I think that is to be expected. After all, wherever they have gone, they have been hounded, persecuted, robbed and murdered. Therefore many come to this country, and on becoming citizens they are given a vote.

In the old country they think the radicals were the only ones who treated them as humans, therefore they believe the best thing to do to gain freedom here, would be to vote radical.—BOB MILLER, Bronx, N. Y.

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I am a subscriber to SOCIAL JUSTICE and have listened to your broadcasts for a number of years. I cannot understand how people can be so gullible and believe such untruths as have been circulated about you. I have heard your discourses and cannot see where you are anti-Semitic.—MRS. W. C. MOTT, Philadelphia, Pa.

REMEMBER JOHN, THE BAPTIST

HAD Father Coughlin's economic, social and religious teaching been heeded years ago, we should not now be a bankrupt country in a state of incipient revolution—a country that is daily drawing nearer to a Red-controlled dictatorship.

Of course, Father Coughlin's real crime, in the eyes of his detractors, is his fearless criticism of an administration that has brought our country to this state. But a ban on all criticism of the government is the sign of dictatorship! Do Father Coughlin's critics wish to imply that we have already scrapped our democracy?

Father Coughlin has quite a good precedent for rebuking the powers that be—Remember John the Baptist! —I. M. SMALLEY, New York City.

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The members of our society are particularly concerned at the unfavorable publicity generally given you by the public press. We believe every effort is being made to discredit your work. In addition to the resolution adopted by the society, we are urging every member in the parish to write a short letter to Station WEW requesting them to continue your broadcasts. — HERMAN LORENZ, president, JOSEPH WEIHRANCH, secretary, Cathedral Holy Name Society, Belleville, Illinois.

EVERYBODY CAN UNDERSTAND NOW

In the days when you spoke of money and of high finance, many people, even the well educated, did not understand you and were divided on you and your work. The issue is not confused now, and no thinking man can be "anti-Coughlin" and remain sincere. Your greatest work is that you have so clearly marked the issue in the past few weeks.

Outside of the powerful support of the *Brooklyn Tablet,* few Catholic papers seem to even mention what you are doing. This is certainly to be regretted. I hope they are not "taken in" by the smokescreen of a "controversial" subject.—WALTER G. DELAWDER, S.J., Woodstock, Md.

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I believe you are doing a great work in this country. You are presenting the truth to the minds of America. You cannot move wills—no one can except God. But you are presenting the truth so clearly that it is difficut for the will not to consent. Priests sometimes forget that the doctrine of our Lord included the social order as well as the individual and his relation to God. Consequently it has been neglected. You have remedied much of this neglect. — CONFRATER NICHOLAS, C.P., West Springfield, Mass.

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Congratulations on your recent radio addresses and your defense of the right to tell the truth against bigots and Communists. I hope no secret forces will be successful in silencing your voice.

I just heard a news bulletin that Anthony Eden of England had assurance that the American administration was opposed to a "rebel" victory in Spain, and opposed to Chamberlain's policy in that regard.

The thought came to me that you would be the one to tell that supporter of Communism that the American people want none of his propaganda, and that the American people are opposed to the hatred of religion and the butchery of innocent men and women of Barcelona.—MSGR. WM. BARRY, Miami Beach, Fla.

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Racial Exclusiveness Creates Jewish Issue

Rev. T. Ryan, S.J., in "The Rock," Catholic Monthly Magazine Published by the Jesuit Fathers in Hong Kong.

DURING the past year two events of long continuance have brought the question of the Jews much before the public, and have made it clear that there is a very serious "Jewish problem." These events are the persecution of the Jews in Germany, and the spread of disorder in Palestine. The year comes to a close with the position of the Jews growing steadily worse: an increasing number of countries want to expel them and none want to receive them, while their very presence in the land that was to be their "national home" has plunged it into a state bordering on civil war.

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There is no doubt as to the fundamental reason of the opposition to the Jews that always exists and sometimes rises to a climax. It is their intense racialism. The fact that the extravagances of Aryan or Nordic racial claims have burst upon the world as something new and utterly ridiculous must not blind us to the fact that the strongest and most persistent supporters of an extreme racial policy have been the Jews. They claim all the privileges of citizenship in every country in which they choose to live, but *always they remain a nation within a nation*. They habitually help their own people rather than the country that protects them, and contribute only in a very small degree to the national life of the State. . . . This racial solidarity may be an admirable thing and the result of qualities that deserve our esteem, but it immediately marks out the Jews as a people apart, as being in a country but not of it.

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The presence in any country of an alien group, closely united and almost fanatically clannish, is bound to act as an irritant. If, with regard to the other citizens, they put themselves within a pale, the rest of the people are more likely to regard them as being outside the pale. This happens all the more definitely in the case of the Jews because the culture and traditions which they bring with them are *foreign to the Christian civilization* on which Western civilization and culture are founded . . .

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AN inevitable consequence of this exclusiveness is that anything which is done by individuals of the race is attributed to them as Jews rather than as individuals . . .

There have always been throughout Europe as many non-Jews as Jews engaged in the business of usurious money-lending and of receiving stolen goods, just as at the present time in the industry of pornography and the white-slave traffic, but since Jews have been many times found to be connected with unpleasant dealings of this kind, they are readily believed by the public to be mainly responsible for them, and so incur a great deal of odium that is partly undeserved.

In the same way the acknowledged Jewish capacity for making money—either on a large scale as financiers or on a small scale by accumulating meager profits which others would not think worth considering—is probably exaggerated, and the power of international Jewish finance less great and less sinister than it is reputed to be, but if this is so it is the Jewish racial exclusiveness which is ultimately responsible for the exaggeration and the undue attention which these things receive. . . .

DURING the past twenty years Catholics in the United States have in their press and on the platform unceasingly defended the Jews against the attacks that were made against them, exposed the nature of these attacks and denounced the injustice that inspired them, but the Jews, *who control a very substantial part of the American press,* have been silent when Catholics were attacked.

The persecution of the Catholics in Mexico was more violent than anything that has been done against Jews in present memory, but *the section of the press controlled by Jews remained completely silent about it.* The same happened with regard to Spain. When in a few weeks far more Catholics lost their lives in Spain by brutal murder than Jews in Germany from the beginning of the Nazi regime to the present day, the Jewish controlled press not only showed no sympathy for the suffering Catholics BUT IN MANY CASES OPENLY SIDED WITH THOSE WHO ATTACKED THEM!

A THREAT TO FR. COUGHLIN

OPINION

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Stephen S. Wise, Editor

Coughlinism Menaces America

JEWISH life throughout the past month has been overshadowed by Coughlinism. OPINION uses the term advisedly, because it does not look upon Coughlinism as the vaporing of a man, but as the expression of a tendency which chooses to use Father Coughlin as the first weapon in its offensive against the American democracy. It will remain a question whether some one of the larger Jewish organizations, such as the American Jewish Congress or the B'nai B'rith, should have replied by one of its own to the insidious attacks of Coughlinism, and whether it was becoming to the dignity of Jewish life to invite, not retain, an eminent Catholic lawyer to make the reply to Coughlin.

Certain it is that the General Jewish Council or indeed any Jewish organization cannot carry on a continuous and sustained debate with Coughlin. Debate is impossible with a man prepared week after week, despite every denial and correction, to rest his case upon fabrications, falsifications, forgeries. Such a man, whether he be a priest or anyone else, takes himself out of the realm in which gentlemen can meet and discuss any question with him. If only the whole American people were clear-minded enough to recognize that just as Hitlerism attacked Jews not because their destruction was the objective of the Nazi Reich, but because for a time it would meet with favor among the lower middle classes and proletariat of the German Reich, so Father Coughlin, reactionary of reactionaries, a Fascist of Fascists, sounds his alarm against so-called Jewish Communists because the group whom he represents, and on behalf of whom he speaks, understand that the way to imperil the status of Jews in America is to make Jew interchangeable with Communist.

Baser than Coughlinism, if such a thing can be, is the attitude of those self-seeking, job-hunting American Jews who are prepared to do the bidding of Coughlinism and to affirm, "The Jews are what Father Coughlin would wish them to be, and not Communists." Coughlinism is a phenomenon not to be met by fear nor surrender. It must be withstood courageously. It must be attacked unsparingly. The forces and influences behind Coughlinism must be unmasked and their voice revealed as the voice of one who would destroy the American democracy and substitute for it a Fascist autocracy. No oleaginous vaporing of Coughlinism can alter the fact that he is Threat Number One to the American democracy. The battle against him must be fought not by a handful of Jews in the front-line trenches, but by the whole American people. He is their enemy. He will not destroy the American democracy, but the American democracy may yet find it necessary to deal with him.

No number of statements by Jewish individuals will offset the editorial utterance of "OPINION," the "Journal of Jewish Life and Letters" edited by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

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Fathers of Notre Dame Speak Out

From "The Ave Maria"

AT a public meeting in New York the other day, Mr. Solomon, a distinguished gentleman of Jewish extraction, made this significant statement: "Communism is diametrically opposed to the principles of Judaism. No real Jew can be a Communist, and no Communist has a right to call himself a Jew." That is the truth in a nutshell.

Judaism is a religion which teaches belief in Jehovah, and an atheist has no more right to call himself a Jew than he has to call himself a Catholic or a Methodist. Neither has a Communist a right to call himself an American since the Reds are opposed to democratic government, and believe in the overthrow of our Government by armed force.

We wonder then why the stir was made about Father Coughlin's recent broadcasts. All he maintained was that he was opposed to Communism and atheism whether practiced by Jew or Gentile, and urged the religious Jews and the religious Gentiles to get together to oppose Communism, Nazism, and any other ism that left God out of the picture.

Was that too much to ask from those who profess to be Americans?

Was it a slur on the Jews to ask them to be real Jews and real Americans and to fight against those who were endeavoring to overthrow this country?

The fact that certain people took offense and that some of the broadcasting stations refused to broadcast the address show beyond doubt that these people were guilty of anti-Semitism and anti-Americanism, and were trying to conceal the fact.

Bringing their activities into the light would hurt their standing in the community. These same radio stations barred Congressman Dies because he assured them: "No longer will Communists be able to sail under false colors. No longer will their fellow travelers be able to hunt with the dogs and run with the hare."

Jewish Veteran Fights Communism

The Daily Tribune, Dubuque, Iowa

"The Jewish citizens of the United States will no longer tolerate in their ranks those Jews who have embraced the doctrines of Communism," Milton Solomon, chairman of the American Jewish Federation to Combat Communism, Inc., declared in an address broadcast from Station WMCA, New York City.

"No real Jew," he added, "can be a Communist and no Communist has a right to call himself a Jew."

His organization, he said, would oppose Communism and Communistic leadership in every field of public activity, politics, labor and education.

"We shall particularly oppose Communistic leadership or the leadership of those sympathetic with Communist ideas in any Jewish organization, charitable, civic or fraternal," he said.

"This is our fight, just as it is the fight of the Catholics and the fight of Protestants, and we should, as in the World War, be allies of each other, retaining our individual identities in a solid phalanx against the enemies of all religion and of all liberty, and in the task of the perpetuation of American ideals and the prevention of any repetition in America of such horrible persecutions and hatreds as are today consuming Europe."

THE COLD TRUTH MUST BE TOLD!

It is futile to mince words in a crisis. Father Coughlin cannot much longer deliver his wondrously valuable discourses to the Nation over the radio.

The question is not one of loyalty on the part of millions of Americans. Neither is it one of cooperation on the part of the 46 radio stations which have defied the enemies of America and abided by their contracts. It is not one of desire and willingness on the part of Father Coughlin to bring the FACTS to light.

IT IS PURELY A QUESTION OF FINANCE!

Very soon—with our country's most important Congress in session—Father Coughlin will be forced for lack of financial support to leave the air to the Reds.

With war-mongers clamoring for the lives of American youths under the pretext of "national defense"—Father Coughlin will be forced to remain silent.

With internationalists struggling to enmesh this Nation in European strife—Father Coughlin will be unable, in the name of genuine Americanism, to protest.

THE ENFORCED SILENCE OF FATHER COUGHLIN AT THIS CRITICAL PERIOD WILL BE A DISASTER WHICH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CANNOT OVERCOME!

Mr. Business Man, does it mean anything to you that the forces of regimentation are closing in on you? Mr. Professional Man or Woman, do you like the Red tendency of socializing your activities? Mr. and Mrs. Taxpayer, do you wish new levies piled upon you to pay for a fictitious war? Do you want billions of additional false money issued by bankers and swapped for government bonds bearing interest in real wealth?

Mr. and Mrs. American, do you want the last breath of freedom to be squeezed from your press and radio? Has the word "liberty" lost its meaning for you? Do you care anymore?

If you DO care, come to the aid of Father Coughlin's broadcasts while there is yet time.

Thousands of readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE have rallied to the call. It is to the undying credit of those men and women that Father Coughlin has been able thus far to speak to America.

There are thousands of other readers who have not yet shown they realize the national value of Father Coughlin. Are you one of these? Then, it must be because you have not yet seen the handwriting on the wall. Regretfully, this is true of millions who SEE too late.

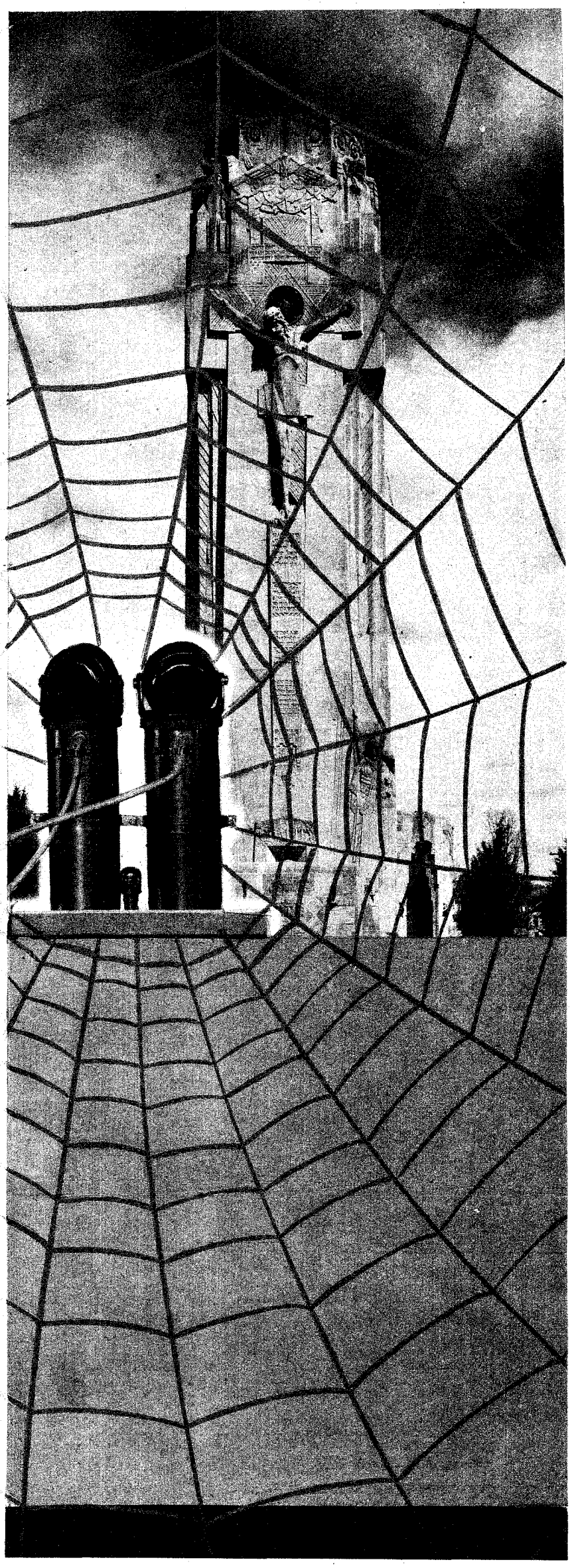
ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS MUST COME FROM THE READERS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ORDER THAT FATHER COUGHLIN REMAIN ON THE AIR DURING THIS HECTIC SESSION OF CONGRESS!

SOCIAL JUSTICE has more than one million readers. Therefore, this is a relatively small sum of money when spread over such a national circulation. Unfortunately, there are some who can NEVER be awakened. They simply do not understand what is going on. They can be counted on for nothing.

But there are thousands of readers who REALIZE, but who delayed. If you are one of these, delay no longer. This is the hour to strike. This is the hour of salvation—or irretrievable loss.

ONE DOLLAR. TWO DOLLARS. FIVE DOLLARS—from those who can afford no more. TEN DOLLARS. TWENTY DOLLARS. FIFTY DOLLARS. ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS—from business and professional people who are headed for the vortex of regimentation.

Contributions such as these — MADE NOW — could save America! Will you hold back?



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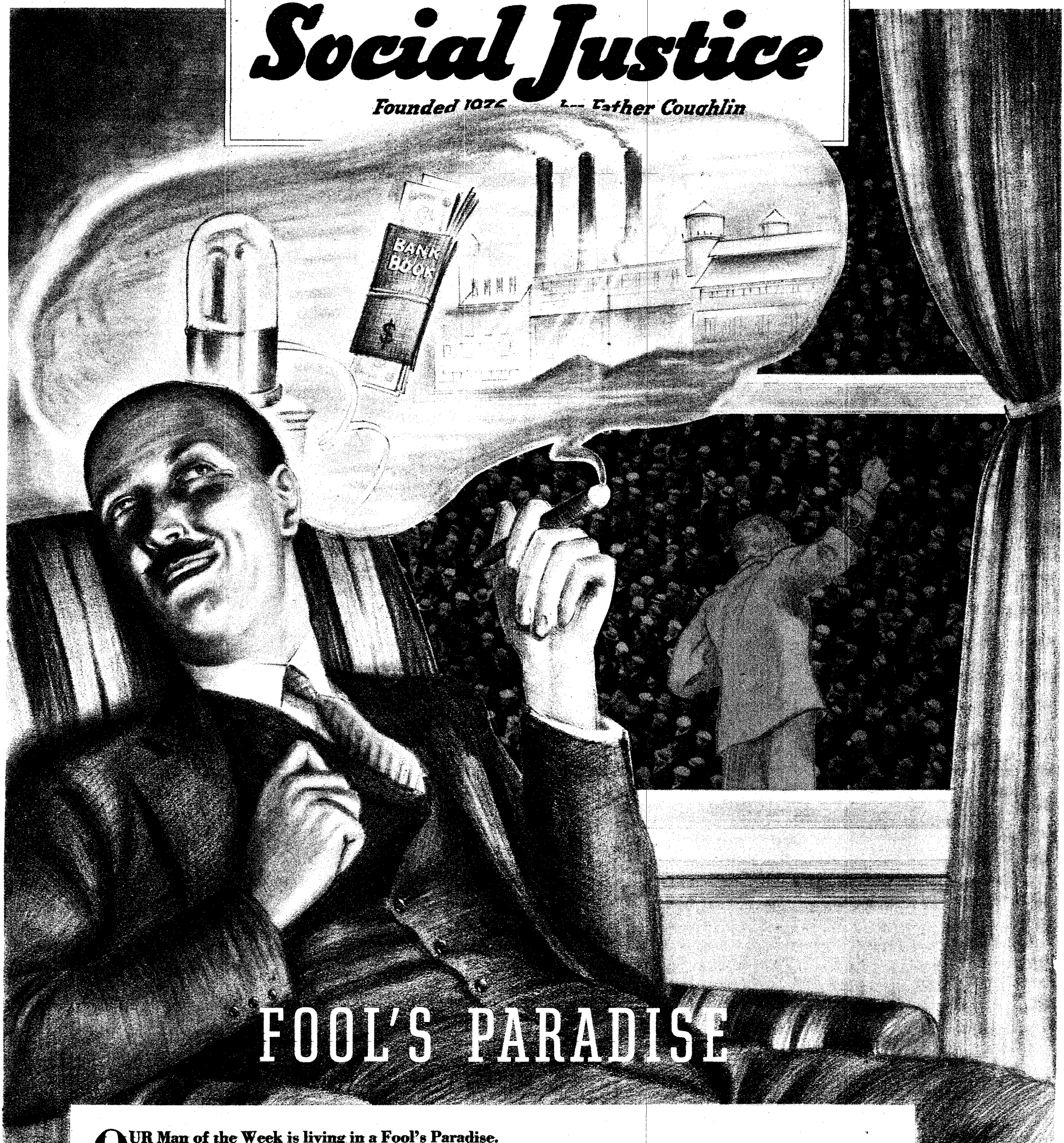

FOOL'S PARADISE

OUR Man of the Week is living in a Fool's Paradise.

His faith is secure in the Constitution of the United States. The very existence of that Document—he thinks—assures him that he shall forever live in a Republic of Free Men. He notes the balance in his bank book, or records his paper profits from a strip of ticker tape, assuring his good wife confidently that—

"God's in His heaven, all's well with this best of all possible worlds!"

Our Man of the Week is a cultured, comfortable, Christian, native-born, home-owning American—AND HE IS ALSO A SAP!

The poor fellow is already ON THE DEFENSIVE and he doesn't even suspect it!

Outside the window where the average American citizen sits in his fireside complacency, the hungry and the dispossessed—the malcontents—already outnumber the contented self-satisfied Americans.

Educators in revolution have been working with these hungry mobs for twenty years. Complacent Christians have prayed for them, or contributed to an occasional charity.

If America is to be saved—if Christian civilization is not actually to disappear—the citizen who is SATISFIED with our form of American Democracy will HAVE TO ACT. Merely to be satisfied is no longer enough: those who are not satisfied already outnumber him. They might even out vote him through parliamentary processes, if they were content to use that slow method.

In the words of Father Coughlin's recent broadcast: There is more peril from an army of 10-million unemployed and 20-million resentful Americans on the dole than from any combined threat from all the dictators.

WAKE UP, AMERICA!

THE MAN OF THE WEEK

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